#### Karachi alert as tension mounts

KARACHI, Pakistan (R) — Troops were called in and 175 people were arrested Saturday as tension mounted between two Muslim sects in Karachi, Pakistan's largest city, authoritative sources said. The sources said the troops were called in to help civil authorities keep peace in the city Sunday when the minority Shia sect plans to hold religious processions and leaders of the majority Sunni sect have called for a strike. The strike call was made to protest against the authorities' permission to Shi'ites to hold processions while there was a general ban on the gathering of more than four people. The sources said the arrests were made Saturday by police in parts of Karachi where at least 12 people were killed in clashes between Sunnis and Shi'ites early this year over the ownership of a mosque.



#### Curfew imposed on part of Hebron

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (R) — Israeli occupation authorities have clamped a curfew on part of the West Bank town of Hebron after a bomb attack on a military patrol, army sources said Saturday. The bomb was thrown at a jeep Friday night as it drove along the main street, but caused no casualties. The army sealed off the area to hunt for the attackers.

Jordan plans preventive

Saturday by the Higher Technical Anti-Cholera and Anti-

The committee, which met at

the Health Ministry to discuss eff-

ective means to stop any spread of

cholera in Jordan from other nei-

ghbouring countries, reiterated

that Jordan is free of cholera and

the new measures are to ensure

These measures require that

any diarrhoea case. especially

among Egyptian nationals, should

be taken seriously and stool tests

The committee called for fur-

ther care to be taken concerning

general health conditions in Jor-

dan. particularly in matters con-

Drinking water must be free,

from pollution, should be purified

and all precautions should be

taken to prevent its con-

The committee's rec-

ommendations included a call for

intensifying control on waste

water and factory waste and sew-

age treatment in a bid to prevent it

from being used for agricultural

The committee said that dri-

nking water should reach all pop-

lations settlements in the Jordan

Valley regions which are not sup-

plied by water through pipe net-

tamination, the committee said.

nected with drinking water.

should be carried out in such

Diarrhoea Committee.

hat it will remain so.

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#### Syrians ambushed

BEIRUT (R) - A Syrian army truck was ambushed Saturday near Tripoli, in northern Lebanon, and one person was wounded. state-run Beirut Radio reported. The radio gave no other details of the incident. Muslim fundamentalist militiamen have been fighting pro-Syrian factions in the Tripoli area and there have been occasional guerrilla attacks on the Syrian army.

#### 3 killed in Tripoli shootout

TRIPOLI, Lebanon (R) - Two men and a woman were killed Friday night in an exchange of machine-gua fire between rival militias in this northern Lebanese port. security sources said. They said the shooting between mil-niamen of the Socialist Arab Baath Party and the Democratic Arab Party later died down after mediation efforts. The fighting. which took place in Tripoli's northern suburbs, did not involve any Palestinian fighters

#### 5 Somalis freed from Israeli prison

when Israel invaded Lebanon in June last year and had been tortured and mistreated while in cap-

### U.S. airliner

MIAMI (R) - A U.S. airliner takeon when a man with a straing two men were taken off and the aircraft was refuelled to return to viami. the spokesman added.

## leasing planes

dents by 1986.

#### Kuwait opens satellite station for shipping

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## Fateh clashes erupt again as mediators

due in Syria DAMASCUS (R) — Reports Saturday of renewed fighting among Palestinian guerrilla factions in eastern Lebanon has added greater urgency to the mission of a high-level Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) mediation team due here from Tunis for talks with Syrian and Palestinian leaders.

decided in Tunis Friday to send six parliament-in-exile. in 1979 and of its members here in an effort to reconcile fighters loyal to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat and rebels trying to push him aside in favour of a more radical leadership. It also hoped to end a crisis bet-

ween Mr. Arafat and Syrian President Hafez Al Assad. As the mediators were awaited. there Palestinian guerrilla groups pledged joint efforts to halt inter-Palestinian fighting in Lebanon. But their announcement came before the reports of ren-

ewed factional fighting. In Beirut, the state-run radio and television both quoted Palestinian sources in Tunis Saturday as saying the mediators' plane had been refused permission to land in Syria. There was no immediate comment from the Syrian aut-

The mission had been expected Friday night but Palestinian officials here said they were delayed because of a technical problem with their plane.

But in Tunis Palestinian sources said the delegation had left for Damascus Saturday evening after a 24-hour delay caused by technical problems Tunis-Air plane.

They-said there had been no indications that the delay was the result of any political probles. Police at Tunis airport con-

firmed the plane had experience technical problems. In their joint statement Sat-

urday, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP). the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP) and the Palestine Liberation Front (PLF) said there "pressing and urgent task was to achieve a ceasefire" among Palestinians.

All three are part of the PLO. of which the biggest guerrilla group is Mr. Arafat's own Fateh where the rebellion is centred.

Despite their ceasefire call, the three groups made clear they backed at least some of the rebels' demands by calling for democratic reforms within the PLO.

The three guerrilla groups said such reforms had been urged in a programme drawn up by the Palestine National Council (PNC).

The PLO Executive Committee the Palestinians' equivalent of a said this programme called for collective leadership of the Palestinian movement.

This was seen here as a hint of support for the rebels' demands for a collective leadership of Fateh. Mr. Arafat aides have indicated they could accept all other demands but they have so far baulked at this one, which would be seen as a blow to Vir. Arafat's pre-

Palestinian sources in Damascus said the majority of the six-man mediation committee were pro-Syrian. apparently a deliberate move to obtain a hearing from Vir. Assad.

The composition of the mission. headed by PNC Speaker Khaled Al Fahoum, was announced in Tunis Friday at the end of the PLO Executive Committee session. which began on Thursday.

After the Tunis meeting, the Executive Committee called for an immediate ceasefire between Palestinian factions and a democratic dialogue to resolve their

#### Fighting renewed

Meanwhile fighting broke out between rival Palestinian factions in eastern Lebanon's Bekaa Valley Saturday. breaking a twoday-old ceasefire. Lebanese security officials and Palestinian sources said.

They said the fighting was around Bar Elias and Taanayel. on the main Beirut-Damascus highway about 15 kilometres from the Syrian border.

The security officials, quoting reports from their colleagues in the Bekaa. said: "The clashes began at about one p.m. (1100 GMT). They are still going on. All types of weapons are being used."

in the northern Lebanese port of Tripoli. Arafat loyalists confirmed that fighting had taken place but said they did not yet know the extent.

The Palestinian sources said Fateh rebels and their supporters from the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine General Command (PFLP-GC) had surrounded a Fateh base at Aboud Farm, near Ta'anavel.



PROTESTS AGAINST SHULTZ: Members of the Communist Party of India stage a demonstration Friday in New Delhi during an official visit of U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz.

The protests were against the American ambassador to India, Harry G. Barnes, whose comments last month on Sikh violence in India drew nation-wide indignation and protests (A.P. wirephoto)

BEIRUT (R) - U.S. special envoy Philip Habib returned to Beirut from Israel Saturday and went straight into talks with Lebanese Foreign Minister Elie Salem on Israel's latest stance in troop withdrawal negotiations.

Government sources said Mr. Habib was conveying Israel's position on a possible partial withdrawal of its troops to lines in South Lebanon.

Mr. Habib met Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin in Israel Friday, Israel's Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir later said U.S. suggestions for changes in a troop withdrawal timetable had been rejected.

made clear to Mr. Habib earlier this week that it completely opposed any partial withdrawal that was not part of a timetabled total

Muammar Qadhafi and King Has-

san of Morocco, on bad terms for

more than 10 years, will have a

third round of talks Saturday night

after an unexpected decision by

Col. Qadhafi to extend his stay in

A senior Moroccan official said

Arab questions and the Western

Sahara issue were the main topics

at a second round of talks here

lomatic sources said Saturday they

were optimistic about the future of

five foreign aid workers held hos-

tage in southern Sudan. following

long talks by radio between mis-

signaries and their captors Friday

sionary negotiators and a Sud-

anese intermediary radioed a

rebel camp at Boma from the sou-

thern provincial capital of Juba.

The sources in Nairobi said mis-

the kingdom.

Israel and Lebanon signed a an Asian tour, to brief him on pro-U.S.-backed agreement on troop withdrawal last May 17. But Israel says it will not withdraw unless Syrian and Palestinian forces also leave the country. Syria has rejected the accord.

A redeployment of its forces

further south would enable Israel to extricate itself from the strifetorn central Shouf mountains and move to more easily defensible positions against guerrilla attack. It would also shorten supply lines. But Lebanese political leaders

fear that unless Syria and the Palestinians also join a total withdrawal package, such a move would lead only to the de facto The Lebanese government partition of their country.

The official said the talks would

be pursued Saturday during the

Ramadan vigil after a dinner given

in the royal palace by the Mor-

occan monarch for his visitor who

arrived on Thursday for a two-day

visit which has now been extended

two heads of state were also att-

and spoke to one hostage and the

Previous radio contact with the

rebels, members of the

hitherto-unknown Liberation

Front of Southern Sudan, has

been brief, and the sources des-

cribed Friday night's com-

Americans, a Canadian, a West

German and a Dutchman, were all

They said the hostages, two

munication as positive in tone.

rebels for over half an hour.

NAIROBI (R) - Western dip- 140 kilometres to the southwest. in good health.

Lebanese press reports Satas saying Mr. Habib was soon exp-State George Shultz, currently on Arabs.

RABAT (R) - Libyan leader Friday night between the two

gress in the talks. The reports said Mr. Habib and Mr. Shuliz might meet in London early next week, but there was no official confirmation of this.

Two other members of Mr. Habib's negotiating team. Morris Draper and Richard Fairbanks. were likely to stay on in Beirut at the Lebanese government's request, the reports added.

Damascus Radio said Saturday Mr. Habib's trip was "a desperate attempt to implement a plan the U.S. and Israel want to impose on Lebanon and the region.

It said Mr. Habib's missions were "always accompanied by evil and conspiracies" and "have alwurday quoted government sources ays prepared the way for aggression in order to impose the ected to meet U.S. Secretary of U.S.-Israeli settlement on the

ended later by the Moroccan and

Libyan foreign ministers. Moh-

ammad Bouceita and Abdel Ati

The talks were officially des-

cribed as "cordial" and a "nec-

essary dialogue." Relations bet-

ween the two leaders have been

particularly strained during the

last seven years because of Libya's

The five were abducted last

week by secessionist rebels who

want an independent state called

Kisua. They have threatened to

kill the hostages if their demands

for international publicity. a

\$60,000 ransom and clothes are

The United States has already

suggested that it would not give in

to the rebels' demand for air time.

not met by July 6.

Obeidi.

Friday night's talks between the extensive support for the Polisario

# Qadhafi extends talks in Rabat

ernment sources said Saturday.

The Middle East and Dutch-Israeli relations will be central in ialks beiween Mr. Van Den Broek. Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir during the four-day

'Positive' talks under way on hostages in Sudan Lebanon last vear.

action against epidemic A M.MAN (Petra) — Strict meaply of water to people in these regsures will be imposed on persons

In an interview with the Jorarriving in Jordan from cholerainfected countries, samples of danian News Agency. Petra. Heatheir stool will be put through labith Ministry Under-Secretary Suleiman Al Subeihi said that the oratory tests if they are suspected ministry has taken several meaof carrying the disease and they will undergo a thorough check before allowed into the country. sures to prevent the cholera from infiltrating into the country. according to a decision taken here

#### Hospitals, labs prepared

Dr. Subeihi said all hospitals and laboratories have been instructed to receive and treat any suspected diarrhoea or cholera cases, and to be on full alert to deal with all such cases-day and night.

Dr. Subeihi called on citizens to take extra cleanliness and hygienic precautions especially in connection with drinking water so as to avoid contracting the disease. The public is advised to refrain from buying food from street vendors who have no proper means of keeping tood safe from contamination and also to take measures to ensure that drinking water is not contaminated. Dr. Subeihi

He said Health Ministry teams are continuously controlling drinking water which is pumped for the public and water samples go to laboratories daily for this purpose. Dr. Subeihi reaffirmed that the

country is quite free of cholera. Another committee meeting has been slated for Sunday and this will be attended by health department officials from all governorate who will discuss means of preventing the disease from infiltrating into the country.

Saturday's meeting was attended by representatives of the Royal Medical Services, the University of Jordan's Health Faculty works and water reservoirs should and Health Ministry specialists be built to ensure continuous sup- and officials.

### Van Den Broek expected to question Israeli policy

THE HAGUE (R) - Dutch For- Brock would make clear to the Brock is expected to question Israeli policy when he pays an official visit to Israel next week, gov-

visit starting on Monday.

The Netherlands, which has a

ong-standing friendship with Israel. opposes the country's settlements policy and has strongly condemned Israel's invasion of

The sources said Mr. Van Den

eign Minister Hans van Den Israeli leaders that the Netherlands is prepared to listen to all parties in the Middle East. The planned withdrawal of the

Dutch contingent with the U.N. Interim Force In Lebanon (UNI-FIL) next October will form an important part of the talks, the sources said.

The Dutch government said last month it would pull out its troops on Oct. 19 unless Tentirely new circumstances occur in Lebanon in the meantime." Mr. Van Den Broek and Dutch Defence Minister Job de Ruiter told parliament that UNIFIL was unable to fulfil its task because of the Israeli occupation of the area.

### Egypt, AID study ways to spend American aid

ALEXANDRIA. Egypt (R) — Egypt and the United States held talks Saturday on better ways of spending the annual \$1 billion that Egypt receives in U.S. economic

The meeting between Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Peter McPherson, head of the U.S. Agency for International Development (AID), followed a report by the leftist newspaper Al Ahali that Egypt got American loans adding up to half their real value and received bad American commodities at more than the real

But Mr. McPherson, who arrived in Egypt Friday on a two-day visit, told reporters: "We feel that our programme in this country is coming along well."

U.S. in economic assistance since the mid-1970s and is currently getting \$1.3 billion in military aid The Al Ahali report quoted the Egyptian Ministry of Industry as saying that U.S. commodities. were purchased at prices 40 or 60

Egypt, one of Washington's clo-sest allies in the Middle East, has

received over \$7 billion from the

per cent higher than international The newspaper said that U.S. aid to Egypt "dictates certain political conditions on the government," one referred to coo-

rdination of foreign policy. A U.S. spokesman at the time said some of the paper's facts were

The trouble broke out when a

### 2 killed as Indian police open fire on violent Sikhs

were killed and at least two others wounded Saturday when police group of armed Sikh Nihangs, who opened fire on violent Sikh crowds traditionally guard temples, attin the northern Indian state of acked a police station in an att-Punjab, police said.

death toll in a week of unrest in

A police spokesman said one of police said. Saturday's fatalities was in the town of Baba Bakula. 40 kil-

empt to free two people held in connection with a murder.

Some 30 Nihangs were arrested and guns and ammunition seized. In the other incident police

#### W.Germany expects early Madrid pact BONN (R) - West Germany The diplomats said afterwards The Soviet delegation in Mad-

expects a final agreement in the Madrid European security review conference early next week and the 36 states taking part could sign a final document in mid-July. diplomats said Saturday.

A decision by Moscow Friday to compromise over Western human rights demands has removed barriers to success in the threeyear-old conference, they said. West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher met U.S. chief negotiator vlax Kampelman in Bonn Saturday.

the expected agreement would have positive effects on East-West security talks in other areas and could clear the way for a European disarmament conference next January in Stockholm.

, for a quick conclusion to the viadrid conference to let a general European disarmament forum But the conference has been

Moscow has long been pushing

deadlocked over Western demands that clauses on human rights be included in the final document.

rid changed its position Friday saying it accepted in principle a Spanish compromise. The compromise would uphold

Western demands for a "human contacts" conference but exclude calls for a ban on radio jamming. A Madrid accord would be the first major East-West agreement since the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan.

The final document of the first European security conference in Helsinki laid the basis for East-West relations.

Bild am Sonntag in an interview released ahead of publication Sunday. demonstrate peacefully in our country, but without masks and

weapons. Pavings stones and iron. bars have no place in a peaceful demonstration."

Thirty-two policemen were inj-

ured last Saturday in mass attacks by about 1,000 anti-nuclear demonstrators. The U.S. vicepresident's cavalcade was also hit by stones when it passed near the disturbances.

expected to take part in demonstrations this October against NATO plans to deploy new U.S. medium range nuclear missiles in Western Europe from the end of the year unless agreement is reached with the Soviet Union in arms talks.

#### Bush welco nes Soviet nove in Madrid talks

HELSINKI (R) - U.S. Vice-President George Bush Saturday called a decision by the Soviet Union to compromise on human rights at the Madrid European security review conference a step in the right direction.

He told a news conference: "When the Soviet Union comes a step forwards towards reasonable negotiating position we are very pleased and publicly give them credit for that.

"The world hopes that this step would be followed by other steps in other places." he said. Asked whether there would be

a summit between President Reagan and Soviet President Yuri Andropov, he said first there ought to be a guarantee that something good would emerge. "Our president is willing, under

certain conditions, to meet with Mr. Andropov, but it is our hope. and I have a feeling that the Soviets are feeling the same, that a meeting without some guarantee that something good would come from it could be counterproductive." he said.

NEW DELHI (R) — Two people dentified gunman.

The shootings brought the Punjab to 13.

shot dead Friday by an uni- Amritsar district.

came under fire when they tried to ometres from the Sikh holy city of stop a crowd of Sikhs from dem-Amritsar where two brothers were olishing a Hindu temple, also in

NAIROBI (R) - Five Somali youths returned home. Saturday from Lebanon saying they had been captured by Israeli troops and tortured. Radio viogadishu said. The radio. monitored in Nairobi, said the youths, who had been working for a Lebanese company, were taken prisoner

## hijacked to Cuba

with 60 passengers and six crew was hijacked to Cuba Saturday during a flight from Miami to Orlando, both in Florida, an airline spokesman said. The captain of the Pan American Airlines Boeing 727 flew to Havana soon after package said he wanted to go to Cuba, the spokesman said. The plane landed safely in Havana.

## **B.A.** considers

LONDON (R) - British Airways (B.A.) will probably lease rather than buy new planes in the next few years to keep its options open until a new generation of small airliners comes on the market, the airline's chief executive said Saturday. Colin Marshall told a news conference the state-owned carrier would need around 18 new planes to replace its ageing Tri-

KUWAIT (R) - Kuwait has inaugurated an earth satellite station designed specifically for marine use, a senior Kuwaiti official announced Saturday. Abdulrahman Al Ghnaim. under-secretary atthe Ministry of Communication. iold a news conference Saturday the station would operate through the Atlantic Ocean satellite to provide direct communications with ships in the Gulf. Red Sea. viediterranean, the Indian Ocean off East Africa and the waters off the west coasts of North and South

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#### Pan-Arab mission back in

S.Arabia BAHRAIN (R) - A joint Saudi-Algerian delegation returned to Saudi Arabia from Damascus Friday night after talks with

Syrian officials on ending the mut-

iny in the Fatch commando group. the Saudi Press Agency said. The agency gave no details of the talks and it was not clear whether the three-man team, led by Saudi Education Minister Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al Abdullah Al Khuweiter, had ended its mission or

returned for consultations. The Syrian news agency SANA Friday said talks with SyrianForeign Vinister Abdul Halim Khaddam covered the split in Fateh. adding agreement was reached that "political efforts should be pursued in order to achieve reconciliation between the rival factions."

Saudi Arabia has been playing a

major role in helping to end the

mutiny by rebels seeking a tou-

gher political stance and a col-

lective leadership.

Bonn wary of violent protests against missiles BONN (R) - West German Interior Minister Friedrich Zim-

mermann said Saturday violent protests against North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) missile deployment plans must be expected later this year and that new laws should be passed to deal with them.

Mr. Zimmermann said the vio-

lent demonstration against U.S.

Vice-President George Bush's visit to the city of Krefeld last Sat-

urday gave some indication of

what "anarcho-communist" rad-

icals were planning for this Oct-

"Of course, we must not panic ... but we must reckon with incidents

and attacks by violent radicals on at least the scale we experienced in Krefeld," he told the newspaper "Everyone has the right to

Up to one million people are

## MIDDLE EAST

#### U.S. waits to see outcome of PLO feud that Mr. Arafat would emerge on

WASHINGTON - The U.S. is anxiously watching the struggle within the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), unsure whether it is good or bad news for the

State and Defence Departments Middle East specialists told Reuters they were uncertain what impact the struggle between PLO leader Yasser Arafat and an apparent combination of anti-Arafat Palestinians and Syrians would have on regional peace prospects.

But most experts support the view that the PLO conflict will promote Middle East stability.

vir. Arafat is facing the worst challenge to his veteran leadership of the PLO, under pressure from hardliners to abandon what they regard as too soft a line towards the conflict with Israel.

#### **NEWS ANALYSIS**

Secretary of State George Shultz said on Wednesday that Mr. Arafat's tribulations, including a humiliating expulsion from Syria last week, increased the chances that PLO guerrillas would leave Lebanon if Syria decided to pull its forces out.

Vir. Arafat has rejected a Syrian denial that it is aiding PLO rebels



PL() rebels at a press conference in Bekaa Valley

but the Reagan administration is convinced that Damascus is bidding to grab power in the org-

One State Department official said Syrian domination could lead to a more radical PLO "and an increase in activities aimed at upsciting whatever stability exists in the viiddle East".

Viany miracles

But, he said, "Arafat has had many miraculous comebacks and I don't think we should be writing him off vet".

vir. Arafat and his PLO executive committee decided Friday to send a special mission to Syria in a bid to end the rifts within the PLO and between Mr. Arafat and Syrian President Hafez Al Assad.

Other Arab countries, to which Mr. Arafat has appealed for support. are adopting a characteristic wait and see attitude." the official said. "The Arab moderates are probably paying lip ser-vice to both sides in the PLO struggle and want to come out on the right side of the issue".

But a Pentagon Middle East expert was much less sanguine He said he did not believe Mr.

top in the PLO feud.

"If the Syrians really want to get rid of him and just keep the pre-ssure on. it's hard to see how he can survive." he said.

Arafat in his weakened position had the leverage to convince either moderate Arabs or the Soviet Union to make a major effort to keep him in power.

Contrary to his State Department colleague, the Pentagon official said and Mr. Arafat defeat was more likely to increase stability than to produce more turmoil or a Middle East war.

If Mr. Assad believes that eventually he would have to withdraw his forces from Lebanon. establishing control over the PLO will make it easier, the official said. echoing Mr. Shultz-

Israel and Lebanon agreed in May on a pullout of Israeli troops. but it is contingent on a Syrian and Palestinian withdrawal which Mr.

Assad had so far fiercely resisted. Vir. Arafat is unlikely to go along voluntarily with a pullout. the Pentagon official said, since it would either leave PLO fighters alone and vulnerable in Lebanon or force them to go to Syria. where "they would be under Assad's thumb for good".

If Mr. Assad is determined to leave his army in Lebanon, getting firm control over the PLO also could help the Syrian leader .

#### 'The circumstances'

BAALBEK Lebanon (R)

Fateh guerrillas, sat on the cru-

mbling porch of a derelict house

to the sandstone hills beyond.

road through this ancient city.

pile of red earth and bracken.

between rival factions along the

be pushing towards him.

Both young guards suggested that "the circumstances" meant

The young major said very little to two foreign reporters. When he Maj. Salah. commander of the did. it was not about politics. We Karami brigade of Yasser Arafat's should speak to his leaders in Tri-

ring out across the bumpy road as

Major's dilemma points to

plight of PLO commanders

and gazed across the Bekaz Valley if hoping to catch a glimpse of his According to Arafat loyalists in Hatless, unarmed, and wearing dusty fatigues and flimsy sandals. Fateh. Syrian forces which control he showed little sign of preparing north and east Lebanon prevent to fight Fatch rebels reported to any movement by pro-Arafat Palestinian fighters. But those supporting rebel Fateh officer Col.

Only two teenage Fatch fig-hters. nursing Soviet-made Kal-ashnikov rifles. guarded his "base". 100 metres off the main Abu Musa have free passage. Foreign reporters who have spoken to both sides have found evidence to back up this charge. Between the road and his win-But Syria denied it was aiding the dowless and doorless hearebels and expelled Fatch and dquarters a fusty anti-aircraft gun PLO chief Arafat a week ago for

stood unmanned, apparently meant to be camouflaged behind a saying so. Independent diplomats in Beirut say there is little evidence that His companions on the porch Syrian forces have joined in the said the major was cut off from his Bekaa fighting on the rebels' side. men as a result of the two-month But they add there is little doubt that they have helped the mutold mutiny that has split the Palestine Liberation Organisation ineers move out of a handful of small bases near the Syrian bor-(PLO) and led to sporadic fighting

This explains how the rebels have managed to sweep towards "His men are up there somewhere, scattered in the hills. But the strategic crossroads town of Shtoura and control the last-20 he cannot reach them because of the circumstances," said one of kilometres of the Beirut-Damascus road on the Lebanese the teenagers, apparently a Palside of the border, the diplomats estinian refugee from the nearby believe.

#### Little bloodshed

Despite daily reports of heavy fighting by some Lebanese radio he would not get very far if he stations hostile to the PLO. the start fightin ventured out along the dusty hig-rebels' sweep has been acc-shall speak.

omplished with little bloodshed according to local residents.

They add that fighting for bases has been rare and most casualties have occurred in clashes at roapoli. north Lebanon. he said. stadblocks thrown up by rebel gro-

At the nearby refugee camp. where guerrillas guard 4.000 men, women and children, fighters of all factions issued a joint statement saying they would refuse to fight

each other. Although the refugees were worried about the repetcussions of internecine strife, and anti-Palestinian intervention by local Lebanese militias, they did not seem to expect any rebel attack. Unarmed teenagers were on guard patrol at the narrow camp entrance.

One Fatch guerrilla said: "We have been in touch (with the rebels). We told them we do not want to fight Palestinians. They said they feel the same."

Asked whether this meant a truce. he replied: "Some governments like the fighting between Palestinians. If Arab governments leave us alone, we can get together again." Maj. Salah. scarcely shifting his

gaze from the hazy hills across the valley, broke his silence as the reporters got up to leave his ramshackle headquarters with no communications and no men. "Inshallah (if God wills). we

shall all sit together. Abu Ammar (Arafat's nom de guerre). Abu viusa, and become brothers again." he declared. "When we stations hostile to the PLO, the start fighting Israel again, then I

### Delay of plane in Cairo prompts Czech protest

VIENNA (R) - Czechoslovakia has protested to Egypt because a plane carrying 45 hostages home from more than three months of captivity in Angola was forced to land Friday at Cairo airport and held for four hours.

The official news agency Ceteka said Saturday the reason given by the Egyptian authorities for the action was confusion about the plane's flight plan. The agency described this explanation as "unconvincing" and

ministry had protested sharply to Cairo about the incident. In Cairo, an Egyptian foreign ministry spokesman said the plane had to land in Egypt because its permission to enter Egyptian air-

said the Czechoslovak foreign

space had expired. The Egyptian spokesman told behind the time arranged for its

entrance into Egypt's airspace. The Czechoslovak Soviet-built Heusbinan? aircraft was on its way from Kinshasa, Zaire, to Prague with 21 children, 17 women and seven men, freed one day earlier by Angolan anti-government gue-

They were among 66 Cze-choslovaks and 20 Portuguese captured last March 12 in a raid by rebels of the United Front for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) on an industrial complex in central Angola where the men had been working. Some said on arrival in Prague

that they lost 10 to 15 kilos on a Pravo said.

1.300-kilometre forced march during rains through jungle and

bush to territory held by UNITA. One Czechoslovak, Jaroslav Navratil, died during the trek. Another man carried his eightyear-old son on his back for 10

A Red Cross official who accompanied the hostages to Johannesburg said 20 Czechoslovaks and 10 Portuguese were left behind in Angola. UNITA said in a statement that

the remaining hostages, all men. were being held to be exchanged for members of the rebel movement jailed in Angola and, if Britain wished, for seven British mercenaries also imprisoned by the Angolan government.

Jarmila Janu, one of two-nurses amongst the hostages, told a Cze-Reuters the plane was 72 hours choslovak reporter: "The marches at night were terrible. We could not see one step ahead, and we wondered if we would ever see our families again.

"But the worst time was when Jaroslav Navratil was dying and we could not help him."

A report in the Communist Party newspaper Rude Pravo said Navratil was buried without any of his friends present somewhere in the bush at the confluence of two

Despite his death. UNITA issued a number of statements saying all the Czechoslovak hostages were alive and healthy. Rude

#### Egyptian. Sudanese leaders neet in Cairo

ALEXANDRIA. Egypt (R) -Presidents Hosni Vlubarak of Egypt and Jaafar Numeiri of Sudan met Saturday for the secand time in a week in this Mediterranean port city where both leaders are spending a summer break.

Details of the meeting, also attended by Egypt's Defence Minister Abdel-Halim Abu Ghazala. were not immediately known but were believed to have concentrated on recent developments in the Central African state of the Hissene Habre left the Chad cap-

#### Foreign ministers meet

(AIRO (R) — Egyptian Foreign vlinister Kamal Hassan Ali had talks Saturday with his Sudanese counterpart. Mohamed vlirghani vlubarak, on the Chad situation and other issues, foreign ministry officials said.

They declined to give further details.

The Sudanese minister arrived in Egypt Friday on a private visit. Egypt and Sudan. Chad's strongest supporters in Africa, have alleged Libyan involvement in a rebellion against the government of Hissene Habre and threatened this week to take "appropriate measures' if it continued.

### Japanese team in Iraq to discuss loan extension

BAGHDAD (R) - A Japanese government delegation arrived here Saturday to negotiate with Iraqi officials the extension of a deadline for the use of loans totalling \$1.5 billion.

Japanese embassy officials told Reuters that the delegation. led by foreign ministry advisor Yoshihiro Nakayama. would also discuss details of a visit to Iraq by Japan's Foreign Minister Shintaro Abe in early August.

up the loans is Aug. 15. Japanese officials said. Japanese ministry officials said

in Tokyo Thursday Japan had planned to extend the deadline by five years on condition the funds would not be disbursed before Iraq's war with Iran ended. Because of the war. Iraq has not

used 1.5 billion of two billion dollars Japan pledged to provide in 1974 and 1977.

### Habre off to Nigeria

Nigeria for talks with President Shehu Shagari on recent border of talks between officials of the

buja. Nigeria's future capital.

N DJA MENA (R) - President ations following clashes across Lake Chad in April and May, infital of N djamena Saturday for ormed sources in N djamena said. The meeting follows four days

clashes between the two countries. - two countries in Lagos and has The meeting will take place at rekindled hopes that the Nigerian border with and should pave the way for a which has been closed since the complete normalisation of rel- skirmishes, will soon be reopened.

### Pravda raps Turk nenistan

MOSCOW (R) - The official Soviet newspaper Pravda called on communists in the Central Asian republic of Turkmenistan Saturday to boost atheist education and combat what it called religious non-

Prayda said there were more than 300 "self-appointed Viuslim holy men" who were particularly active in "so-called holy places". "It is above all women who do not work who are most given to this nonsense." Pravda said.

Pravda said there were many problems in propagating atheism in Turkmenistan and women there ought to be made a more productive element of Soviet society.

## The present deadline for taking

Egyptian press accuses government

of curtailing information about cholera CAIRO (R) - The Egyptian gov- health campaign which appeals to the English-language Egyptian ernment was accused by the press people through the media to sub- Mail said, quoting the euphemism Saturday of misinforming the pubmit themselves to cholera vaclic about an outbreak of cholera cination.

which has so far killed four people Four people died and 460 villagers were taken ill at Saft El The government has not ack-Laban after sewage contaminated drinking water. nowledged an outbreak of cholera

by which government officials publicly refer to cholera cases.

"But what are summer dis-"The ministry of health-has lage 10 kilometres west of Cairo. undertaken a campaign against health risks the but has launched a nationwide 'summer diseases'." an editorial in Cairo daily said.

eases?... the public has a right to know exactly what the present summer diseases are and what health risks they involve. the

### Iran wants another U.N. investigation

said in a letter to U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar published Friday that it would welcome another fact-finding mission from the U.N. to see the effects of the Gulf war.

and stricken hundreds more.

this week at Saft El Laban, a vil-

A team that toured Iran and Iraq in May to survey civilian damage in the 34-month-old conflict reported considerable devastation to both sides. Its report dealt at greater length with damage in Iran than with that in Iraq. In his letter to Mr. Perez de Cuellar, the Iranian delegate, said

mission was in Iran. members

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Crackdown on drues

announced stricter border controls in an effort to combat drug smuggling. Iran's national news agency IRNA reported. The minister told IRNA in the

frontiers and sea approaches. ause of the "very limited" time the

The agency, monitored in London, quoted him as saying the

Minister Ali Akbar Nateq-Nuri

southern Iranian town of Bushehr that a "border bureau" had been set up to control the country's land Rajai Khorassani, said that bec-

country's long eastern border with

UNITED NATIONS (R) - Iran were unable to visit several major the Soviet Union. Aghanistan and Pakistan should be brought under

Frontier patrols had been increased, he said, while adding that the drug traffic problem was not limited to the eastern border.

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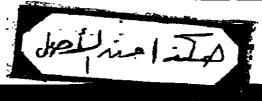
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### Bank embezzlement scandal uncovered

A WMAN (J.T.) - A major embezzlement af a Jordanian bank has been uncovered resulting in the return of most of the money, according to a statement by the Jordan Central Bank.

Several people, mostly bank employees, involved in the case have. been arrested. The statement said that the bank's management is following up the matter with the security authorities to retrieve the remaining amounts. Thorough investigation into the case is continuing and the bank's operations are reported to be going on as

However, the bank's name and the identity of the embezzlers have not been disclosed.

The statement also revealed that a similar embezzlement occurred at another bank, also involving several employees. The case was uncovered a few months ago and again most of the stolen money has been retrieved, the statement said.

People involved in the case, are in prison pending a court case, it

A recent amendment to the 1971 penal code, doubled the penalty imposed on people involved in bank embezzlement cases, as bank deposits are considered for such purposes as the same as public funds.

### Isma'il: 16 international phone lines now in use

AMMAN (Petra) — Tel-ecommunications Corporation Director-General Mohammad Shahid Isma'il has said that the international direct dialing system service is now open to the public on sixteen international lines.

These serve Saudi Arabia. Kuwait. United Arab Emirates. Bahrain, Iraq. Syria. Arab Republic of Egypt. the U.S.. France. Britain. Japan. West Germany. Italy. Greece. Spain and Swi-

Vir. Isma'il said a trial run for connecting the Zarqa district to Jordan's international dialing system will be carried out soon after the Eid Al Fitr holiday. He added that contacts are being made with Arab and international related bodies to intensify the direct dialing service to cover Jordan's various governorates and to widen the range of lines for the direct

dialing service at an international

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### Service councils receive large finance injection

A M MAN (Petra) — A sum of 3D 332.000 has been allocated to finance projects being undertaken by ioint services councils in a number of regions in the country. according to Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Environment Hassan Al Viomani.

He said that JD 80,000 had been allocated to build schools with JD 252,000 for other public

The councils of Irbid. Ramtha.

receive JD 86,000 for their projects. The councils of Turah, Shajara. Umm Al Quttain, Bierin. Aloouk. Al Massarat. Umm Rumman and Sarout will get JD 89.000, while the councils of Umm Al Amad. Al Musherreh. Al Direh. Havak. Umm Adaal. Hualeh, Wadi Musa, Al Taybeh. Al Rajef. and Dalagha will get JD

### NRA drills: new wells

IRBID (Petra) - In a bid to oveply to the Kura district in the Irbid Governorate the Natural Resources Authority (NRA) has drilled an artesian well in the Iyoun Al Hamam region. and is currently drilling a second one for the same purpose, a NRA spokesman said here Saturday.

He said that another artesian well had earlier been drilled to supply water for the town of Tibneh in the same district. These wells are needed to help NRA to overcome water supply shortages in the northern regions, the spo-

#### Saladdin, Yarmouk to cooperate on research

IRBID (Petra) - Yarmouk University has expressed readiness to establish scientific cooperation links with Saladdin University in

Yarmouk University President Adnan Badran said that he received a message from the Iraqi university's President Dr. Khasru Shami expressing a particular desire for such cooperation. Yarmouk University is currently studying details of Saladdin University's proposals for such links and subjects that can be agreed on in this respect. Dr. Badran said.

### RSS building seminar begins

AMMAN (J.T.) — A symposium on building maintenance opened at the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) Saturday.

Taking part in the two-day symposium are 40 engineers from a variety of fields who will exchange views and discuss issues connected with the viability of using particular building mat-

erials, the use of locally produced raw materials and energy saving as a way of reducing building costs.

The symposium has been organised by the RSS's Building Research Centre (BRC). The BRC has recently produced

a complete system of low-cost housing totally built of local materials. particularly cement.

#### Irbid farmers briefed on ways to counteract Newcastle disease

IRBID (Petra) — Poultry farmers in the Irbid Governorate were Saturday briefed on measures to prevent the spread of Newcastle disease among their birds.

This took place at a meeting

held at the agricultural dep-

artment here which was also attended by vets, agricultural specialists and the director of animal health at the Ministry of Agriculture.

The farmers were briefed on moculation campaign that is to be implemented in their region to give their birds immunity against the disease, as well as being familiarised with modern means of combating the disease.

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an eye to the future



### Palestinian heritage month launched

Palestinian folk heritage event was launched at the Professional Association Complex Friday eve-

Several prominent Jordanian and Palestinian figures made speeches at the opening ceremony outlining the aims of such an activity and calling for the preservation of the Palestinian cultural heritage.

On display are samples of national costumes, plastic art, embroidery, ornamented pottery and

A MMAN (J.T.) - A month-long other folk craft, together with an exhibition of paintings by seven Palestinian artists.

> At the ceremony, folk troupes presented dabkeh, national songs and dancing. Further activity will be held during July at several places in Amman and in other regions

Sunday there will be a per-Palestinian village. On July 5 there will be a seminar at the

in which leading Palestinian personalities will take part, while on July 17 events will move north to Al Husn refugee camp where a special folk performance will be presented.

Another refugee camp. Al Wihdat, will host another ceremony on July 28. On July 30, a ceremony will be held at the Royal formance at the Department of Cultural Centre in Amman where Culture and Arts depicting life in a folk troupes from 49 cities around the world will put on a per-

## Customs officials seize cigarette, gold smugglers

A VI VIAN (Petra) — Jordanian customs authorities have foiled an attempt to smuggle foreign-made cigarettes into the country and the smugglers have been apprehended, according to an official statement issued here Saturday.

The statement said that customs officers pursued the smugglers in the eastern parts of the Kingdom and that fire was used mainly to cause damage to the smugglers vehicles in order to foil their escape, the statement said.

According to the statement the smugglers carried 4.500 cartons of cigarettes in three vehicles.

ained, the contraband confiscated and the vehicles impounded pending further investigations and legal proceedings, the statement

All smugglers have been det-

The customs authorities also Saturday reported the seizure of were being smuggled out of the 498,000 on the open market.

country in Syrian vehicles.

A statement on the incident said that the gold had been found hidden in secret compartments inside the cars that were heading towards Syria from Amman. Investigations revealed that the smugglers had earlier taken another 45 kilogrammes of gold in another operation.

The customs officials said that the owners of the gold were willing to settle the issue by paying the appropriate fines and customs duty on the contraband.

The 60 kilogrammes of gold 60 kilogrammes of gold ingots that were believed to be worth JD

#### TV transmission committee to meet

TUNIS (Petra) - Jordan will take part in a meeting of the committee responsible for beaming educational programmes to the Arab people in Israeli-occupied territory. The meeting will open at the Arab League headquarters in the educational programmes and

Tunis on July 26. During the week-long meeting. delegates will discuss the implementation of recommendations from the committee's previous

an assessment of their impact.

The delegates will also try to work out a general expanded plan for future programming, and the necessary funds needed to finance

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#### Who did the somersault?

UNTIL recently, all Arab attention was focused on Israel to see how the enemy state could possibly cope with its predicament in Lebanon. Most of us were happy just to see the Israelis on the defensive, suffering, as they have been, from one guerrilla attack after the other, and to watch them suddenly run short of ideas on how they could extricate themselves from the Lebanese "mess" they got in.

Israel's difficulties in Lebanon naturally left a positive impact on the Arabs - militarily, politically and psychologically. And the ground was fertile for the Arab World to close ranks and prevent the enemy from achieving any gains from his invasion of Lebanon and still make him pay a heavy price for it.

The occasion was indeed unique and happy. But, unfortunately, it would not last. Either we Arabs suffer from such lack of concentration that we could not for long remember who the enemy is, or else we are not really serious about facing the Israeli threat to our identity and homeland.

It is possible, however, that the Israelis and "imperialist forces" have tried and succeeded in starting the rebellion in Fateh and getting the Syrian regime to side with the rebels against Yasser Arafat's PLO leadership, so that Arab attention would be refocused on inter-Arab differences and rivalries rather than on the fight with Israel. If it is, and the latest setback in the Arab camp is just the result of yet another Israeli-American conspiracy, why do we bother even to discuss the basics of where our attention should be?

But it is not for one or two reasons that we are losing the latest round with the Israelis, as we all probably know.

The complexity of Arab politics, and indeed allegiances. could have all too easily been responsible for our failure to consolidate positions in and on Lebanon. Therefore, unless we are willing to admit our own shortcomings, and be ready to overcome them, there is no point in pretending that the biggest enemy is not from within.

Arab reconciliation teams are at work again. Let us wait and see what they will come up with.

#### **ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS**

#### Al Ra'i: Only half a solution

TWO ARAB mediation teams are now making great efforts to reconciliate the opposed Fateh factions and improve Palestinian-Syrian relations. A joint Saudi-Algerian mission and a Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Executive Committee representative mission are working laboriously to put an end to the crisis. In the first place, it is a sad day that Palestinian comradesin-arms need a mediator, as is the case with the Palestinian-Syrian problems. Nonetheless, it is partly the responsibility of all Arabs that things have reached such a awkward situation. The only gainer in the current situation is Israel, who is using this breathing space to implement its annexationist plans. This only proves that the Arabs have more than the inter-Palestinian or Syrian-Palestinian differences to tackle -- they have also to take account of the advantages the present situation offers to the Israelis.

The mediation teams should bear in mind the fact that a mere reconciliation will take the Arabs only half the way towards solving the present problem, thus making the question of time a major directive. The Arab masses, who have been deeply shocked by the hostilities within the mainstream Palestinian organisation. Fateh. also expect that such a dispute will be ended soon to pave the way for intensive efforts to liberate the occupied Arab territories and their

#### . Al Dustour: A return to rationality

REGARDLESS OF the seemingly negative attitude adopted by the rebels against the Fateh leadership and by the Syrian capital, there are signs that the Saudi-Algerian mediation efforts will help reconcile the warring parties. Such a reconciliation will definitely save the Palestinian fighters a great deal of suffering and help them restore their sense of integrity.

It is still early to prejudge the outcome of the mediation efforts made by the mission PLO leader. Yasser Arafat, had formed. But the very act of forming this mission to tackle inter-Fateh differences and the Fateh-Syria dispute is a positive step. This only proves that the PLO leadership, despite its open accusation of Syrian interference in inter-Palestinian affairs, means to leave the door open for constructive dialogue and the settling of all differences through con-

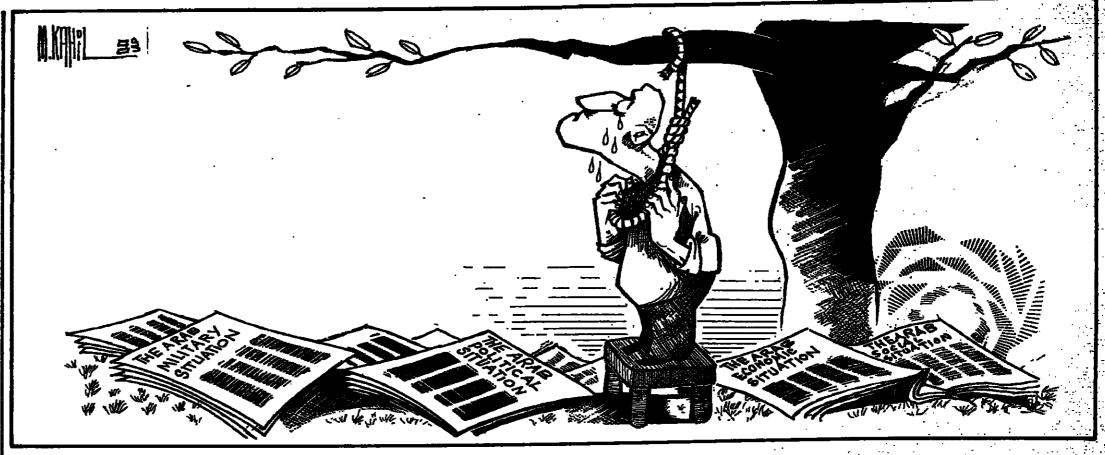
sultations. The calm which has settled over the Bekaa Valley and the statement issued by seven Palestinian resistance organisation to the effect that they would refrain from resorting to armed clashes reflect a rational attitude that is once more prevailing in the Palestinian household. This attitude will definitely create a suitable atmosphere for putting an end to hostilities among Palestinians and strengthen the position of PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat as leader of the Palestinian revolution and its various organisation.

#### Sawt Al Shaab: Mediation needed

THE ARAB mediation efforts aimed at solving the inter-Fatch differences and the Fateh-Syrian dispute should only be satisfied with settling the issue completely. The Saudi-Algerian effort would have been more effective if it had represented Arab unanimity that uses all available tools to reach the desired ends.

Nonetheless, it is hoped that the Saudi-Algerian mediation effort will help end armed clashes and halt attempts at interfering in inter-Fateh affairs, which impede the solving of internal problems within the Fatch organisation. The Arab masses do hope that this effort will settle the present problem, but they look forward to a unanimous

Arab stand for solving all inter-Arab differences. The inter-Fatch differences are certainly an outcome of inter-Arab differences; and a mechanism should be created effectively to tackle such disputes. The Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Executive Committee statement on the current situation reflects the outlook calling for non-interference in the Palestinians' internal. affairs by Arab states. This is the only way to allow a democratic dialogue to take place within the Palestinian ranks. It is hoped that: such a Palestinian wish will be respected. as attempts to contain the PLO pose a threat to the very existence of it and endangers the unity and integrity of the Palestinian people and its revolution.



## NATO shows off its muscles in eastern Turkey

By Giles Elgood

SARAKAMIE, Turkey - Poorly equipped Turkish troops would, if necessary, fight with knives and axes to defend their country, their leaders say, but the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) hopes its special mobile force will take such desperate measures unnecessary.

NATO's multinational Allied Mobile Force (AMF) has mounted the most long-range and costly exercise in its 23-year history. visiting eastern Turkey for the first

The AMF is designed as a deterrent force which can be depsion on NATO's flanks and. if needed, go into combat.

83" manoeuvres, which ended last week, were the most easterly ever staged by the alliance and introduced the inhabitants of this

small garrison town just 85 kilometres from the Soviet border to 4,000 NATO troops from five countries.

Up to 5.000 Turkish troops took part. Although no official figures were disclosed, transport alone cost about \$4.5 million. Senior Turkish officials, who

welcomed the exercises, are at pains to emphasise the strategic importance of their country to the alliance. Apart from Norway. Turkey is the only NATO country to share a border with the Soviet

But they say their armed forces. some of whose equipment would be recognised by veterans of Korea and World War IL are in loyed at short notice to defuse ten- desperate need of modernisation aid from NATO allies.

Despite this handicap the cou-The AMF "Adventure Express nary's leaders stress the bravery and willingness to fight of their

Haluk Bayulken. defence minister in Turkey's military gov-

respondents that, if necessary: "Turkish forces will fight with axes and knives.

But he added that to modernise its forces, Turkey needs U.S. aid of \$1.5 billion a year for the next decade, over double the amount expected for 1984.

#### Soviet 'fears'

The quality of Turkey's armed forces, 741,000 strong including the gendarmerie, won praise from NATO Secretary-General Joseph Luns who visited the exercises.

He said reports from defectors showed the Soviet Union's fear of the Turkish army, the second largest in NATO, took a back seat. only to its worries about the West German and U.S. armies.

Turkish military planners believe they are confronted on their eastern borders by 20 divisions and one brigade of the Soviet Caucasian army and by 23 Soviet, Romanian and Bulgarian div-

frontier from Thrace in western

Turkey's strategic value in the region stems from a geographical position that makes it simultaneously a European, a Mediterranean, a Middle-Eastern and a Black Sea country.

By controlling the Turkish straits it straddle Soviet naval access from the Black Sea to the Aegean and Eastern Mediterranean. Turkish officials say it controls the main maritime approach to the "soft underbelly" of the Soviet Union.

Defence Minister Bayulken said his country sometimes felt isolated from the mainstream of European affairs.

But top NATO officials at the exercises here have not lost the opportunity to point up the political significance of the presence of NATO forces.

NATO's supreme commander.

ernment, told visiting cor- isions and six brigades across the Soviet charges that "adventure Express' was provocative, said he hoped the Kremlin would heed the alliance's resolve to deploy troops in border areas to deter aggression.

Mr. Luns said the presence of the AMF in eastern Turkey would provide the local people with living proof of the alliance's interest in the area.

The AMF, whose initial role after being invited in by the host nation is to seek to defuse tension by its mere presence, took steps to win over the Turks with sports and shooting contests, equipment shows and talks with local leaders.

The month-long exercise's set piece demonstration took place in perfect summer weather.

But the region's high altitude --2,000 metres and more — cuts the efficiency of helicopters, reducing their payloads and overheating engines. Men have difficulty acclimatising and tracked vehicles General Bernard Rogers, denying suffer from hard ground.

The AMF contingent comprised troops, armoured vehicles, belicopters and aircraft from the U.S. Britain, West Germany, Italy and Belgium. To get the full force into Eastern Turkey would take around 12 days, according to

British sources. Economy dictated the use four ships and 14 trains to transport large parts of the AMF to and from the exercise. In an emergency the contingent would arrive by air.

Erzerum lies about 220 kilometres from the Soviet border. Turkish officials say the joint U.S. and Turkish base, vital for NATO deployment here, is to be expanded.

Individual AMF soldiers questioned said the manoeuvres on the ground had done little to test their capabilities, but for the local people the contingent's deployment was probably the largest demonstration of outside interest in the region for years.

## U.S. envoy's trip spotlights tough stand towards Nicaragua

By Walker Simon

MEXICO CITY — Special U.S. envoy Richard Stone, with a mandate to foster peace in Central America, has ended a regional trip which spotlighted his government's tougher stance towards leftist Nicaragua.

Despite his pledge to "listen and learn" from Latin American leaders in his 10-nation tour. Mr. Stone openly differed with several of them on the need for closer ties with Nicaragua and criticised the revolutionary regime in Managua. The newly-appointed envoy

planned to confer with President Reagan. Secretary of State George Shultz and congressional leaders on his visits to six Central American nations and Mexico. Venezuela, Colombia and Panama before returning to the reg- policies.

But the groundwork laid on his ua. seen by diplomats as the key to defusing the threat of international war in Central America.

Washington accuses Nicaragua of threatening its neighbours with its alleged "export of revolution". while Managua charges the United States with arming and directing more than 7.000 antigovernment guerrillas based along its borders, mainly with Hon-

Relations, which hit a low point after the two countries' mutual expulsion of diplomats, appeared to be strained even further when Mr. Stone while in Managua - in rare language for a diplomat -criticised Nicaragua's domestic

He publicly tied a mending of bilateral ties to "an improvement tour did not prove auspicious for a of Nicaragua's realtions... with U.S. rapprochement with Nic- (their) own opposition and their

Mr. Stone thus voiced what U.S. officials had privately indicated was an emerging U.S. policy in emphasising increased concern for Nicaraguan domestic affairs.

The fresh approach appears to add a new element to what the U.S. wants as the price for ending its covert aid to the guerrillas... European diplomats in Managua

They said Washington is demanding Nicaragua's Sandinist rulers loosen their tight grip on the country's politics, as well as the long-standing U.S. call that Nicaragua end its alleged backing for leftist guerrillas in El Salvador and neighbouring nations.

supported the assertion of one araguan officials said. U.S. official in the region who told

"introducing more democracy and human rights". Nicaragua's Sandinist rulers, who ousted rightist dictator Anastasio Somoza in a 1979 popular revolution, have pledged elections

in 1985, but have refused to indicate if these will be patterned after Western democratic polls. Washington's increasingly open pressure to shape domestic Nicaraguan policy is coupled with

mounting losses inflicted on Sandinist forces by the rebels, alleged to be backed by the U.S.

Mainly launching raids from neighbouring Honduras, the guerrillas so far this year have killed over 600 Nicaraguans, more than double the number killed in gue-

The European diplomats' view rrilla raids in 1980-1982. Nic- woven a fragile compromise bet-As the clashes have increased,

U.S.-Nicaragua ties would mean in Central America, and Nic-Havana and Moscow, have both warned of the spiralling danger of Alarmed by his drift, Mexico's

Foreign Ministry used the opportunity of Mr. Stone's visit to warn that a regional blowup was imminent unless peace negotiations among Central American nations were launched soon.

Throughout his tour, Mr. Stone reiterated his backing for the regional peace initiative of Mexico. Venezuela, Colombia and Panama - the so-called Contadora

The group, named after the nched its peace bid in January, has Nicaragua talks.

ween Nicaragua which demands direct bilateral talks with Hon-Reuters in May that improved Honduras, the strongest U.S. ally duras and the other Central American nations which insist on mul-

> The group won tentative agreement in April that the talks' structure would depend on the subject discussed. But Mr. Stone reaffirmed the

> long-standing U.S. position that all talks be held in a regional multilateral context and did not in any way back the bilateral approach. Apart from the Contadora plan.

> Mexico and Venezuela have been pushing a Nicaraguan appeal for direct talks between Washington and Managua. However Mr. Stone, in his visit

to Managua, ruled out any imm-Panamanian island where it lau- ediate prospect for U.S.-

## Sweden seeks to bar atom bomb from Nordic zone

By Richard Wallis Reuter

STOCKHOLM - With deployment of new U.S. nuclear missiles in Western Europe only months away. Sweden is campaigning to bar the atom bomb irm the Nordic zone.

The proposed nuclear weapons-free area would initially cover the neutral states of Finland and Sweden and NATO members Denmark and Norway. The fifth Nordic country, Iceland, also a NATO member, would be brought in later.

In exchange for the Nordic countries formalising their ban on atomic weapons. Washington and Moscow would have to guarantee they would not launch a nuclear strike against the region.

Sweden does not see such a zone as a realistic guarantee against attack in wartime but as a confidence-building measure that would help to defuse tension and preserve peace in Europe. The West has so far reacted coo-

lly to the idea, but Soviet leader Yuri Andropov has offered to discuss the creation of a nuclear weapons-free Baltic Sea as part of such an arrangement.

U.S. Vice-President George Bush last week began a tour that will take him to Sweden. Norway. Finland and Denmark. American officials said he was interested in hearing Swedish views on the idea of a nuclear-free Nordic zone.

Andropov has reiterated the Kremlin's willingness to study the possibility of "substantial measures" with regard to nuclear weapons on Soviet territory adjoining the zone.

The Swidish plan, a revamped version of a Finnish proposal in 1963, does not envisage a total ban on nulcear weapons in the adjoining areas.

As outlined by Prime Minister Olof Palme. the plan's main aim would be to eliminate short-range or so-called tactical nuclear weapons targetted against Nordic countries.

It would not require the Soviet Union to dismantle its long-range strategic missiles in the Kola peninsula, bordering northern Nor-way and Finland, where Western

say that special transit naval units plying to and from the Baltic. Over 50 per cent of the Soviet Union's naval dockyards and ship

stantive zone arrangement were to be achieved. The Soviet Union is the Baltic's

defence reports say 70 per cent of the Soviet strategic submarine force is based. Swedish defence officials also

repair facilities are in the Baltic. according to Western estimates. Swedish advocates of the plan say that such transit rights would have to be strictly limited if a sub-

only nuclear power. The Soviet Baltic fleet has since

1976 included six Golf-2 class

siles with a range of 1,200 kil-ometres (750 miles), according to Western defence experts.

In 1981, three to four Juliettclass submarines each armed with four missiles were transferred to the Baltic from the Black Sea. The missiles' range is 125 miles (200 kilometres). At present there is no per-

manent Western nuclear-armed submarine patrol in the Baltic although there are no restrictions on the operations of nuclear-armed vessels.

Critics of the plan say establishing the Baltic as a nuclear weapons-free zone would give Moscow the right to condition access to this strategic area. They say this would in effect

turn the Baltic into a closed Soviet A Western naval exercise began in the area last week with the primary aim of demonstrating the

U.S. navy's right to sail in the international waters of the Baltic. The critics also argue that a zone agreement would isolate the Baltic politically as well as weakening NATO solidarity through a total Norwegian and Danish ban

on nuclear weapons.

Southern Norway controls the Baltic approaches and Denmark imposes limitations on the number of warships passing through its narrow straits. Although both countries do not allow nuclear weapons on their soil in peadiesel-powered submarines, each cetime, they reserve the right to carrying three SSN-5 nuclear mis- have them in wartime.

## Fighting threatens Chad's recovery from civil war

By Nick Kotch

Reuter
ABIDJAN — Renewed fighting in Chad, where Libya is alleged to be intervening on the rebel side. threatens a perceptible return to stability in the past year.

If rebel forces capture the key northern town of Faya-Largeau, giving them control of one-third of the country, analysts believe Chad's 17-year civil war will enter a new and bloody phase.

President Hissene Habre has

ruled the sparsely populated Afro-Arab state for barely a year since ousting the Libyan-backed government of fellow Muslim Goukouni Oueddei. The United States and France have both warned against ren-

ewed Libyan involvement in Chad, where both have backed Habre as the only leader capable of uniting and reconstructing the war-shattered Central African Diplomatic sources say Habre's

ill-equipped forces would need substantial foreign help to hold key provincial towns such as Faya-Largeau, if his government's allegations that Libyan troops are fighting alongside Goukouni's rebels are confirmed.

While neither Socialist France nor the United States may want to get directly embroiled in the latest chapter of the Chad war, the prospect of a strongly pro-Libyan regime in N Djamena might be an even less attractive alternative. the sources said.

French Foreign Minister Cla-ude Cheysson said France "could not remain indifferent" if Libva sent troops to fight alongside the

But he appeared to rule out direct military intervention by France, the former colonial power and Chad's main aid donor.

Some 1,200 French troops, backed by Jaguar strike aircraft. Central African Republic. The United States has warned

Libya to stay out of the Chad conflict but any emergency American assistance to Mr. Habre would be restricted to arms supplies, diplomats said in recent interviews in N'Diamena.

Western and African diplomats, and heads of the dozens of foreign aid missions in the war-scarred capital have been virtually unanimous in praising Mr. Habre's achievements.

"For the first time in years Chad has a president, not a medieval war-lord," said one well-informed foreign resident. These sources all pointed to Mr.

Habre's ability to pay civil servants regularly as opposed to only rarely under Mr. Goukouni's three-year government.

The country's new administrative backbone was crucial in stamping out a potentially disastrous cattle plague, aid workers

Recent visitors to N'Diamena

pared with the anarchic presence on the streets of half-a-dozen private armies in Mr. Goukouni's

Mr. Goukouni and Mr. Habre. both northern Muslims, have vied for power since the end of a war which overturned the former dominance of the black African south.

The biggest demonstration seen in N'Djamena for 10 years greare based in the neighbouring eted Mr. Habre on June 7 for his first anniversary celebrations. The occasion was a major pro-

> northern-titled regime is still strong in the south. "Barring accidents or assassins, I expect to find Mr. Habre sitting in the presidency in 20 years time." said one diplomat.

paganda success for Mr. Habre

although persistent dislike for his

That prediction may need urg-'ent revision if Libya's Col. Muammar Qadhafi decides to throw his full weight behind Mr. Goukouni's challenge.

Informed sources in N'Diamena believe Mr. Goukoum's 3.500 men can only dislodge Mr. Habre with direct Libyan help.

Mr. Qadhafi withdrew Libyan troops in 1981 after failing to persuade Mr. Goukouni, then president, to accept a merger with Libya.

Diplomats speculated at the time that the Libyan leader was trying to improve his international image with a view to taking over the chairmanship of the Orgwere struck by the discipline anisation of African Unity among Mr. Habre's forces com- (OAU).

# Rain forests: World's most complex habitats

WASHINGTON — A tree falls in has been put at more than 40,000. fungi, and bacteria of rain forests South America and as it dies it Nature produces this lush div- make up the main repository of South America and as it dies it takes with it untold life forms some of which may be the only ones of their kind left on earth. The tree itself may be a species as yet undescribed by science.

Tropical rain forests - had they been left undisturbed, they'd ring the equator - are the world's most complex natural habitats. At least a third of all earth's species are thought to live within these ecosystems, only a fraction yet scientifically named.

The number of plant species in South America's Amazonia alone

decomposition to stay high the years. year round. Everything grows all

#### Vulnerable and diverse

Since no two rain forests are the same forests - the destruction may be possible." of even a small area can result in the extinction of uncounted spe-

Scientists say the plants, insects,

ersity of life where hot, humid climates enable photosynthesis and bank that evolved over billions of

In the January issue of National Geographic, senior writer Peter T. White says the forests "may well be nature's chief library of experience from which humanity can learn, not only how to do things quite the same -- not even parts of but also what vast variety of things

> Some alkaloids of rain forest plants are hoped to be cures for cancer. Farmers may someday need to fall back on wild strains of

food crops to resist epidemics of - saying it may be the worst biodisease or insect infestations. Ind- logical debacle since life's first ustries may exploit such bio- emergency on the planet 3.6 bilchemical marvels as the copaiba lion years ago. tree, which naturally produces a liquid with qualities like diesel

Already, drugs derived from plants native to rain forests have prehend the biological sigbeen successfully used to treat Hodgkin's disease, hypertension. and rheumatoid arthritis, as an aid in surgery, for the production of sex hormones and the birthcontrol pill.

Environmentalists decry the destruction of tropical rain forests

#### Controversy grows

And as scientists race to comnificance of the tropical jungles. political and economic pressures build to clear these vast treasure troves for mining, development, and agriculture. The survival of rain forests has become one of the most controversial issues of our

Some say that this humid, evergreen realm, still roughly the size of continental Europe, is reduced each year by half the area of Great Britain.

Others predict that virtually all tropical rain forests may vanish by the end of this century and fear burning the timber to clear the forests will add to the global warming that sometime in the next century may bring considerable

changes in climate. White travelled over a span of two and a half years to rain forests in Africa, Southeast Asia, and the Amazon basin. He found wor-Idwide disagreement about the pace and extent of the shrinking of these forests. "The problem reaches beyond biology into matters economic, sociological, and political" he reported.

Although rain forest soil is poor and quickly depleted by agriculture, slashing and burning the forests for cultivation is the single largest cause of tropical forest loss around the world. Also, many leaders of developing nations view their rain forest mainly as a ready source of cash.

In Peninsular Malaysia where rain forests are being converted to profitable oil palm farms and rubber plantations. less than half of the forests of a generation ago remain. Although conversion is not taking place as swiftly as envisioned 10 years ago. environmentalists fear all Malaysian

In Indonesia, which contains the largest rain forest in Asia (nearly one-tenth the world total). much has been harvested already. Log production multiplied sixfold during the 1960s and 1970s. Farmers and transmigrant settlers also are eliminating large areas. but Indonesia's plan to carve big settlements out of the forests is being implemented more slowly than expected.

In Africa, Cameron has experienced extensive disruption by timber companies and farmers. On the Ivory Coast, more than 70 per cent of the primary forest at the turn of the century is now cleared, and the rest may be gone within a decade.

Much of Africa makes up a similar casualty list: Nigeria. most forest disrupted; Sierra Leone, very few areas undistrubed; Ghana, little or no virgin forest remains; Madagascar, much slash-and-burn farming. Still. Mr. White found that an estimated two-thirds of Africa's remaining tropical lowland rain forests one-fifteenth of the world's, mainly along the equator in Zaire seem most likely to survive without drastic change into the 21st

South America's Amazon basin contains the world's largest rain forest -- ten times the size of Texas. Ecuador pumps oil from its share of Amazonia; Peru believes its future lies in deforestation of the jungle for agriculture; in Brazil. cattle ranches, iron and gold mines, and extensive highways have been carved out of the jungle. The coastal portions of the forest in Brazil and Ecuador have been heavily logged.

In the Amazon basin, Mr. White reports, "the cutting has been great, but the forest is so much greater that all in all it seems like a drop in the bucket." But he adds that some ecologists claim Amazonia could be completely deforested within 35 years if the rate at which cutting in certain rain forests will be gone in another areas has been increasing should

Political issues

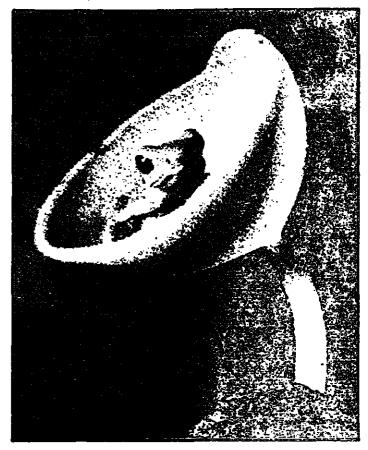
John Spears, forestry adviser of the World Bank, says that if a significant part of the world's remaining tropical forest is to be preserved, there will have to be a shift in the emphasis of forestry aid to developing countries -- to focus on how to improve the income and quality of life of 200 million small farmers living in the forest.

Others call for sensible development plans. Large chunks of forest should be left entirely alone, they say, provided other substantial chunks can be put into sustained and profitable pro-

Mr. Spears told Mr. White that since 1900 the wet tropical forest area has declined by more than half. Of some one billion hectares (4 million square miles) left in 1980, about 12 per cent will go by the year 2000, leaving about 900 million hectares.

"If nothing is done to check world population growth and to control tropical deforestation." he said, there may only be 500 million by the middle of the next century; by 2100, nothing.

-- National Geographic news feature



A poison-arrow frog perches in a mushroom within a protected rain forest in Costa Rica's Corcovado National Park. At least a third of all earth's species are thought to live within the world's humid tropical jungles. Only a fraction of these diverse life forms have a yet been amed by science. (National Geographic photo)

## Hong Kong welcomes financial futures plan

By Robert Cottrell

Ripping through a virgin stand of tropical rain forest in Papua New

Guinea, a lumberman's chain saw destroys another part of earth's

most complex natural habit. Since no two rain forests are quite the

HONG KONG - The Hong Kong government has given its seal of approval to hopes of setting up a financial futures market in the British territory. But in doing local commodity futures market. the Hong Kong Commodity Exchange (HKCE), by inviting proposals from other interested parties for establishing a market in

the financial contracts. The HKCE, a privately-run body franchised by government to make a market in commodity futures, has taken a leading role in investigating the potential for financial futures in Hong Kong. It set up last year a 17-member working party which produced in August a report suggesting interest-rate contracts in U.S. and Hong Kong dollars, a U.S./U.K. dollar currency contract, and a yen/H.K. dollar currency contract. The HKCE's existing futures contracts are in soybean, sugar, and most recently gold.

In a statement issued on June 9. welcomes the initiatives taken" to promote financial futures loc-

But from that point on, the government's views diverge from the hopes of the HKCE. The official statement went on to say that "as market might best open with a eurodollar or similar contract. At the launch of the market, the government could not envisage Hong Kong currency or Hong Kong interest rate contracts, although the addition of such contracts would not necessarily be ruled out for all time." Some bankers believe that government fears locallydenominated financial futures could increase the already uncomfortable volatility of the Hong Kong dollar.

The government also said that. as far as it was concerned, it was

the Hong Kong government said it the government, should prepare a ally, and that it "appreciates the anisers will have to satisfy the govbenefits which could accrue from a ernment that they can fund and soundly based market in Hong manage the market, and institute investors.

Specifically, the government will want to see adequate policing of dealers' liquidity margins, and far as government can see, the the setting-up of a compensation fund. The government will tell the market what contracts may be tra-Setting up a financial futures

market will require the drafting and enacting of appropriate legislation in Hong Kong. The government says it could provide such legislation within the time it would take organisers to set up the market itself. The government's decision to

by-pass the HKCE may reflect the problems which have dogged the exchange since it was established in 1977. Trading levels have been open to offers to establish such a low. An original cotton contract

detailed study and prospectus of fered a rash of delinquencies LIFFE-compatible contracts in their intentions. Potential org- among its 154 members, and 14 the Far East would offer int-More recently, it suffered a public the clock. relations blow and chairman. Mr. Peter Scales. was stripped of his registration to deal in securities. Mr. Scales is appealing against the decision, which does not relate to his commodity activities, but the exchange asked him to stand down as

same - not even parts of the same forest - the destruction of even a

small area can result in the extinction of uncounted species. (National

As an overall indicator of falling enthusiasm for the exchange, a seat put up for sale in April secured an offer of HK\$310.000 (\$42,060). The peak price paid for a seat last year was HKS1.6 mil-

chairman to protect its image.

An important element in setting up any financial futures markets in Hong Kong is likely to be advice and assistance from the London International Financial Futures Exchange (LIFFE), which was informally supported the concept

sing publish

market. Interested parties, says was dropped altogether from lack of Hong Kong's joining the world of interest. The exchange also suf- market-place. The existence of companies' registrations have emational financial institutions been revoked over the last year. the ability to trade further around

> The potential attractions of financial futures trading have not been lost on Singapore, which is pushing ahead with its own potential market for possible opening early next year. Singapore is being assisted by the International Monetary Market. a division of the Chicago Mercantile Exc-

Singapore and Hong Kong vie for the title of South East Asia's financial centre. Singapore's progress may have convinced some less enthusiastic parties in Hong Kong who, even if they do not particularly like the idea of local financial futures trading, cannot afford to see the territory outpaced by its regional rival.

-- Financial Times news feature

### Jakarta's 'hit squads' pick victims with tattoos

By Isa Ismael

JAKARTA — Unofficial executioners who have killed an estimated 160 young men in crimeplagued Indonesia appear to have a simple way of picking their vic-

The Security Services have denied responsibility for mystery "hit squads" who have mounted a private anti-crime campaign in Jakarta and Central Java.

But most people believe -- and some officials have hinted -- that the killers are plainclothes police or troops given carte blanche to stem a mounting wave of crime and banditry.

Most of the victims, according to press reports, had tattoos on their bodies. Many were shot publicly, at point-blank range.

Regarded in some quarters as a sign of virility and often worn by criminals, tattoos have become distinctly unpopular with their owners since the killings began

early this year. Possible targets

have tried to erase their tattoos. lets." using chemicals or even household quoted as saying the deaths of sco-

the shootings and some clients had by them. asked him to remove the colourful markings.

hinted the killings were the work of government agents. When asked about the killings, official spokesmen refer only to murders committed by "mystery gunmen."

People's fears that those with tattoos could become targets for gunmen were heightened when one police officer said many exconvicts carried tattoos.

And Admiral Sudomo, former chief of the Indonesian National Security Agency (Kopkamtib). said ex-convicts or habitual criminals carried out some 80 per cent of Indonesia's crimes.

The police spokesman for the greater Jakarta area. Lieutenant-Colonel Bazar, last month advised suspected criminals to turn themsleves in to "avoid being punctured by bul-

Justice Minister Ali Said was

One Jakarta tattooist com- res of suspected villains were betplained to a local newspaper that ter than hundreds of thousands of business had slowed down since innocent people being victimised There has been no official reaction to one newspaper's sugsection that criminal

tattooed by the authorities to make identification easier. Attorney-General Ismail Saleh has sought to justify the killings.

saying people were relieved by the disappearance of suspected criminals. He attributed the deaths to "guardian angels." Exactly how many criminals

have been killed by the mystery . gunmen is not officially known. but newspapers said up to 160 people had been killed this year. A human right organisation

spokesman said he believed as many as 400 people had been shot dead in an unofficial drive to cut crime in the country.

No official crime rate has been published although authorities have said drastic measures should be taken to curb mounting crime.





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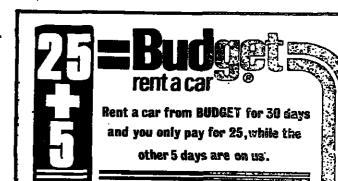


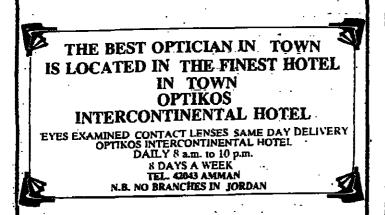
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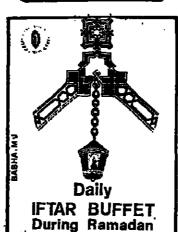
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## SPORTS

McEnroe, Fleming win 3rd men's doubles.

## Navratilova bags 4th Wimbledon title

LONDON (R) - Martina Navratilova quelled a late rally by Andrea Jaeger and stamped her retaining the Wimbledon singles title with a 6-0, 6-3 triumph here Saturday

The 26-year-old Prague-born American raced through the first

set in 15 minutes by losing just

Navratilova said: "But my first" goal is to play to the potential I know is there. I didn't serve all

nine points and had the trophy in her possession after 54 minutes for the fourth time in six years. She won it previously in 1978 and

> bidding to hold all four grand slam titles after taking the U.S.. Australian and French Opens. Navratilova's only losses in the ast year were in those events and she and Lloyd were joint fav-

can be better.

in the third round by compatriot Kathy Jordan. "I wanted to be the one to stop here, but someone else did." Navratilova said. Perhaps she will get her chance in this year's U.S. Open, which Navratilova has

ourites here, but Lloyd was upset

that well and I'm still improving

my backhand because I know it

Her only real challenger is

fellow-American Chris Evert

Lloyd, who came to Wimbledon

never won and which Lloyd took last year for the sixth time. Navratilova lost just 25 games here in seven matches, nine in a 7-6. 6-3 second win over American Sherry Acker. But she lost no more than four in any other and ger with far less empty space in three or less in five out of seven. Navratilova's court to shoot for. three or less in five out of seven. She has won 49 out of 50 mat-

on the carpet for this one.

dlesex trailing by 35.

season's total haul to 105 wickets.

English county cricket

champions crash for 78

LONDON (R) - English county cricket champions Middlesex were

skittled for 7x as a total of 22 wickets crashed on the first day of their three-day match against Warwickshire in Birmingham Saturday.

The normally blameless Edgbaston pitch produced turn and unpredictable bounce, and groundsman Bert Flack, who is also the test

and county cricket board inspector of pitches, said he expected to be

left arm spinner Phil Edmonds (five for 26) and off-spinner John

Emburey (three for 15) continued in irresistible form and lifted their

Montreal golf tournament

complaining of stomach pains at the 13th tee.

circuit next January, two months after the birth.

one in February and the other in April.

two-round totals of 136.

Leaders Middlesex routed third-placed Warwickshire for 113 as

over the last 18 months. Her only defeat in 1983 was to American Kathy Horvath in the fourth round of the French Open.

She is the first woman to win Wimbledon without the loss of a set and she soon began to reveal set since Billie Jean King took the second of her six titles in 1967.

"It started out a huge mountain. but it was not so tough. It was easy match-wise and my practice sessions were tougher, but that is what you work for in practice." she said.

Second-seeded John McEnroe meets unseeded New Zealander Chris Lewis Sunday for the men's title. McEnroe warmed up well Saturday by combining with fellow-American Peter Fleming to win the men's doubles for the third time. They beat American twins Tim and Tom Gullikson 6-4, 6-3.

Navratilova wasted no time Saturday against her 18-year-old American opponent, who found the big occasion too much for her.

Jaeger, the third seed, was missing her target from the opening point and ever in the opening set could she find the ground stroke accuracy which carried her past Billie Jean King 6-1, 6-1 in the semifinals.

That was testimony to Navratilova's more aggressive play and greater speed, which left Jae-

"I just didn't start well and lost

ches this year and 139 out of 143 my first service game from 30-love and that sort of blew it for me in the first set. She really trounced me in that set." Jaeger said.

But she realised that she would have to go for broke in the second the ground strokes which have made her one of the game's most feared baseliners.

She finally got on the scoreboard by breaking Navratilova's serve in the opening game and she had a point for 2-0. She lost it but after Navratilova had gone ahead she drew level at 2-2.

A questionable line call in the sixth game might have cost Jaeger the chance of levelling again, and Navratilova reached 5-2 with her own serve to come.

Jaeger saved match point by inducing a backhand error and. passing her rival with great frequency now, she saved two more in grand style in the following

But Navratilova showed her champion's mettle by refusing to panic. Fine serving averted a break point and took her to match point for the fourth time, and this time Jaeger obliged with a forehand return that sailed over the

> McEnroe Junior makes his exit

LONDON (R) - While John McEnroe was teaming up with partner Peter Fleming to win the Wimbledon doubles crown on the centre court Saturday afternoon his 17-year-old brother Patrick

was making his exit from the boys

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singles out on court two.

McEnroe, Junior, who had come through the semifinals unseeded lost to top-seeded Swede Stefan Edberg.

VicEuroe was far from disgraced for Edberg, also 17, is wid- refuses to get rattled on court and ely regarded as the pick of the crop treats even the most dubious of of Swedish youngsters who are racing up the world rankings.

Afterwards McEnroe conducted his first Wimbledon press conference with the charm and ease of a seasoned veteran. He little thing he does is blown out of said he was not surprised he had all proportion and I don't want

received so much attention at Wimbledon and added with a grio: "Because of who I am I get a lot of

attention wherever I go." "Junior is a nickname he has taken over from his elder brother.

calls nonchalantly. "Having seen the grief John suffers, I always try to stay calm." he explained. "It's ridiculous the pressure he has to live under. Every

that happening to me."

A skilful midfielder in his New York school's soccer team, McEnroe has not yet decided if he wants to make a career out of ten-

"I'm nowhere near that stage as it's still too early to say how good I.

"Obviously I'd like to be number one but I'm not simply following in John's footsteps. Whatever he achieves in tennis is not going to affect the goals I set for

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### Spencer takes pole spot for Belgian Grand Prix

Viartina Navratilova holds high the Wimbledon shield which she won

Saturday, her fourth Wimbledon singles title (A.P. wirephoto)

FRANCORCHA MPS. Belgium (R) - World championship leader Freddie Spencer of the United States Saturday continued to set the pace in practice Sunday's Belgian 500 cc motorcycle Grand Prix. Spencer, riding a Honda, set the fastest time on the second day of practice when he shaved nearly two seconds off his best lap Friday to cover the modified Francorchamps circuit in two minutes 32.70 seconds at an average speed of 163.66 kph.

His closest championship rival and compatriot Kenny Roberts made a desperate attempt to snatch pole position, but his factory Yamaha came in factions of a second behind at two minutes 32.79

Triple world champion Roberts closed the gap on Spencer to eight points after his victory in last week's Dutch Grand Prix which took his

Frenchman Raymond Roche fell spectacularly in Saturday's practice but though taken to hospital for checks he appeared to have miraculously escaped any serious injury after being catapulted from American Randy Mamola on a Suzuki, third in the championship

standings on 59 points, took the same position in Saturday's practice by clocking two minutes 33.36 seconds. In 250 cc practice. Belgium's Didier de Radigues delighted a partisan crowd by scorching round the track on his Chevalier in two minutes 40.72 seconds, at an average speed of 155.49 kilometres an

Championship leader Carlos Lavado of Venezuela, with an almost unassailable lead of 24 points, will have to be content with second place at Sunday's start after taking his Yamaha round in 2:40.76. In the 125 cc class, Italy's Pier Paolo Bianchi piloted his Sanvenero round the circuit in 2:45.67 at an average 150.84 kph to secure pole

position ahead of fellow Italian Eugenio Lazzarini. Championship leader Angel Nieto of Spain could manage only

2:52.72, sixth in the day's practice rankings.

In sidecar practice the Swiss pair Rolf Biland and Kurt Waltisburg lived up to their number one ranking with a 159.07 kph fastest time

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tournament before the baby was born. She hopes to return to the

Lopez has been riding on golf-buggies in tournaments for the past two weeks to save energy. She has won two tournaments this year.

Americans Sandra Spuzich. Donna White and Hollis Stacy and New Zealander M.J. Smith shared the lead in the Ladies' Pro-

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The Ministry of Education intends to announce tendering of school building project of the fifth educational project on the fourth quarter of 1983.

These schools are 18 in number, the area of each school varies from (4000) s.m. to (12400) s.m. and the total area is

The government tenders directorate invites contractors willing to participate, whether local contractors or contractors from the member countries of the World Bank in addition to Switzerland and Taiwan obtain prequalification forms from the tenders directorate, observing the following qualification conditions:-

#### Types of firms

a- Local contractors who are classified in the (general) or (first) degree in buildings, or who can complete and submit their prequalification forms before Aug. 10th, 1983 (according to the new regulations).

b- Local firms formed by a foreign contractor in joint venture with a local partner. Every partner will be qualified separately, and the participation of the local partner in technical, administrative, capital and other factors shall be considered. Foreign firms: It is intended to recognific about (12)

Prequalification considerations:

1. Competent local contractors shall be given preference when studying financial offers on other types of firms, because of expected revenues on the national economy, and differences in income taxes and fees and employment of local engineers, technicians and labour.

2. At time of awards of tenders for prequalified firms, the

2. At time of awards of tenders for prequalified firms, the following guiding figures of max. total areas are to be trained.

- Local Contractor, classified as general - 40000 s.m.
- Local contractor, classified as first degree - 20000 s.m.
- Foreign contractor, - 40000 s.m. (max).

#### Timing

1. Prequalification forms may be obtained starting on July 6th, 83 and till Aug. 3rd, 1983.

2. Last date for submittal of prequalification forms is Aug. 24th 1983 at 2.00 p.m.

3. Submission shall be at the government tenders directorate.

FORECAST FOR SUNDAY, JULY 3, 1983

GENERAL TENDENCIES: All sorts of new and

changing conditions are in effect today and tonight and

bring wonderful opportunities. Your self-expression and

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Newcomers may enter your

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Make a new confidente

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) You can give more atten-

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Plan how to

handle credit affairs from a new standpoint and make

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Enlarge the scope of your

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Your intuition is good for

planning a more successful future. Get rid of any bills you

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Meeting with good friends

can introduce you to other people you want to meet. Be ac-

SCORPIO (Oct., 23 to Nov. 21) Listen to ideas of co-

workers. You might find them worthwhile. Schedule all

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) If your friends

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Make changes at

home you feel are necessary to make it more functional

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Pass on ideas you have

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Get together with advisors

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### New trade tensions worry Japan

TOKYO - Signs that a recovery in Japan's economy is likely to be based on increased exports rather than higher domestic spending have prompted fears of renewed trade tensions with America and

Europe.
Unofficial estimates by economists point to a trade balance of \$30 billion in Japan's favour in the present financial year ending next March rather than a previouslyestimated \$20 billion, government sources said.

This would help the current account balance, which includes invisible items such as insurance and tourism and is expected to reach nearly \$18.5 billion instead of the originally estimated \$9 billion.

Last month Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone said Japan would try to rely more on domestic spending rather than higher exports to activate singgish economic activity.

But economists said the govemment had little room to manoeuvre with its fiscal or monetary policies in the face of a record budget deficit, thus precluding

higher state spending. They said the weakness of the yen one the world's foreign exchange markets prevented cuts in major interest rates such as the official discount rate. But cuts would anyway only weaken the Japanese currency and make exports even cheaper.

Increased imports appear to be the only short-term way to help redress growing Japanese trade surpluses. Government sources said this was emerging as a likely plank of policy following ministerial statements in the past

Mr. Nakasone himself, campaigning on behalf of candidates for upper house parliamentary elections, said import team would be sent abroad and that he planned to take political steps to enc-

ourage imports. At times of trade friction in the past Japan has resorted to emergency imports of oil, aircraft, uranium and rare metal to help redress trade imbalances.

Mr. Nakasone's comments were echoed by Foreign Minister Shintaro Abe, and by the annual report of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI).

Economists said the weak recovery of the world economy would tend to suck Japanese capital and consumer goods into markets of the industrial nations and that it would be some time before there was a marked decline in une-

THE BETTER HALF,

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By Keith Stafford 1 mployment in these states. Protectionist sentiment against Japanese goods in labour organisations and some industrial groupings would tend to remain

high, they said. Another possible round of acrimony could start next month at meetings in Washington and Bru-

From July 11 to 13 senior Japanese and U.S. trade officials will meet to discuss trade, including American demands that Japan open its markets to more agriculturai imports.

Japan faces accusations that it unfairly nurtures industries like cars, electronics and computers before unleashing their exports on world markets, a claim Japan has vehemently rejected.

A meeting with a European Community delegation in Brussels from July 4 to 7 will probably centre on the Common Market's decision to bring Japan before the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) in Geneva. the body which polices the world's trading rules.

The Europeans have called on GATT to review Japan's markets to see if they are partially closed to foreign godds, a complaint raised regularly for decades.

News of the community decision dismayed Japan because it followed agreement to restrict exports of Japanese consumer products into the Common Market, notably video tape recorders.

Industry soruces in Japan, still stung by the U.S. decision to impose high tariffs on Japanese motorcycles, have speculated on the possibility of America bringing similar complaints as the Europeans to GATT.

Mr. Nakasone told a press conference that he planned some form of political machinery to encourage imports and bankers said a pointer to the change appeared when the Japan Development Bank announced a reduction in interest on loans to foreign companies from next March.

MITI called on the bank to increase credit allocations to foreign companies recently to try to defuse the trade question and encourage inward investment, they

Other ministry suggestions for increasing imports include lowering purchase tax on some foreign goods, such as luxury cars, and loans to small Japanese companies for imports.

Funds might become available to foreign companies for initial marketing, tax breaks on imported machinery, training for businessmen and a "buy-foreign" policy in government, MITI sources

By Harris

## Canada freezes oil prices

OTTAWA (R) — The Canadian due to take effect Saturday, has per cent of world prices, the cei-government has agreed to shield been scrapped and the price will ling imposed in the pricing pact of loration programme in Alberta. major fluctuations in the world

Ottawa and Alberta, the major oil and gas producing province, have signed a revised agreement holding the price of conventional oil - oil pumped from the ground by conventional means - at the current wellhead price of \$29.75 a barrel, equal to about 83 per cent of the world price.

A four-dollar-a-barrel increase,

consumers from oil and gas price not rise as scheduled in 1984 unlincreases for 18 months barring ess the world price goes up. Conventional oil accounts for about two-thirds of domestic production.

Natural gas prices, scheduled to increase every six months, will be held to 65 per cent of the oil price until 1985 as an incentive for consumers to convert from oil and use the abundant gas reserves.

The ruling Liberal government had pledged to keep the price of conventional oil no higher than 75

September 1981.

But the 1981 agreement, based on steadily increasing prices, became obsolete after world oil prices dropped.

Federal Energy Minister Jean Chretien and his Alberta counterpart John Zaozirny said the agreement reflected international realities and would be beneficial

to consumers and oil companies. Mr.Zaozirny said it was expected to provide the oil industry with additional incentive to continue

Initial oil industry reaction to the new agreement was mixed. Although most spokesmen were

pleased Ottawa and Alberta had worked out a compromise solution, the industry had lobbied for complete deregulation of oil pri-Both levels of government had

banked on a share of the billions of dollars in revenues at stake when the 1981 deal was reached, but the drop in world prices cut short those plans.

### Greece seeks to solve EEC problems

ATHENS (R) - President Constantine Karamanlis of Greece, who steered his country into the European Community, said Saturday Athens would seek solutions to all the Common Market. basis. problems now it headed the group

for the first time. "I am certain that not only will it not create problems in the community, but on the contrary it will endeavour to find solutions to all outstanding problems of the community," he told Reuters.

Greece, which Mr. Karamanlis

was jobless.

Department of Employment said Saturday.

2.970.400 -- 12.4 per cent of the workforce.

the figures to hide the true unemployment level.

ago as prime minister, replaced West Germany Friday for its first presidency of the 10-nation bloc. The presidency rotates between member-states on a six-monthly

Greece's Socialist government. which is charged with trying to resolve the Common Market's inherited fiscal and economic difficulties, came to power 20 months ago on an anti-community and anti-NATO platform.

Greek attitudes remain ambled into the community two years ivalent, but officials say privately

that withdrawal is no longer on he

Foreign Minister Ioannis Haralambopoulos. in his capacity as chairman of the community's council of foreign ministers, will address the European Parliament next Tuesday to outline Greece's plans during its presidency.

An authoritative source in Athens said the foreign minister would take up the issue of the disparity in wealth between the rovements in agriculture, tourism as the best hope for recovery.

and fisheries in the south. "He will also recommend the

establishment of a European policy for productive investments and a concerted effort to create new jobs and beat unemployment." the source said.

Community diplomats said Greece would have to mediate between those countries which favoured retrenchment at a time of world economic troubles and those which saw expansion and community's northern and sou- wider community involvement in thern members and insist on imp- the economies of the 10 members

#### Moroccan oil refinery seeks credit renewal

BAHRAIN (R) - Gulf International Bank (GIB) and Banque Marocaine du Commerce Exterieur said Saturday they had been chosen by Morocco's government-owned oil refinery to arrange \$200 million of short-term finance for oil purchases.

GIB said it would fully underwrite a 12-month revolving letter of credit to Societe Anonyme Marocaine de L'Industrie du Raffinage (SAMIR), the country's largest refinery, to purchase Saudi Arabian and spot market oil to meet domestic needs.

The financing is a renewal of a facility for the same amount led by GIB last year, a spokesman for GIB said. Other banks led the credit the previous three years, he added.

Each letter of credit will be for a maximum of 90 days and any related refinancing will be for a period of 180 days at the option of the borrower. GIB said. The refinery can opt to refinance in West

#### recent excludes all men aged 60 and over. F.T. says strike | First-ever Indian-built will end soon nuclear plant operational

Times, "Bible" of Britain's business community. Thursday sub-mitted its five-week dispute with striking print workers to mediation, and said it expected to resume publication next Tuesday. The newspaper's management

U.K. unemployment drops

LONDON (R) — Unemployment in Britain dropped in June to 12.5

per cent of the workforce, the fifth monthly fall in succession, the

But the underlying trend, which excludes school leavers, showed

The unadjusted jobless total fell 65,400 in June to 2,983,900 to

The seasonally-adjusted adult unemployment total rose 500 to

The number of school leavers out of work was almost 250,000, a

Opposition parties once again accused the government of fiddling

Over the past year the Conservative government has made a

number of changes in the way the jobless are counted - the most

June record, but more than half will not count in the jobless total until

September when they are eligible for unemployment benefit.

reach the 12.5 per cent figure. In May 12.8 per cent of the workforce

adult unemployment rose for the 43rd month in succession.

said it would take the mediator's findings as final, but the strikers' union did not bind itself in advance to accept the outcome. No immediate comment was available from the National Gra-

LONDON (R) - The Financial

phical Association (NGA), which represents 24 machine minders seeking a pay rise of £17.32 (\$26) to maintain differentials above a recent increase for their assistants. This would bring their weekly pay to £304.67 (\$463).

Management says the strike has cost the newspaper about £4 million (\$6 million).

**Peanuts** 

THUMP!

NEW DELHI (R) — India's first gramme, which aims to provide locally designed and built nuclear 10,000 megawatts of electricity by power plant went into operation the year 2000, has been hit by a Saturday at Kalpakkam. 120 kil- series of faults and setbacks since

ian Atomic Energy Agency spo- with British help in 1956. kesman said. He said only one unit had been commissioned so far and that fur-

ther tests were planned on it during the next three to four weeks. after which it would be connected to the country's southern electricity supply grid. The spokesman said in a statement issued in Bombay that

India had now joined a select group of countries capable of designing, building and putting into action nuclear power stations of their own.

India's ambitious nuclear pro-

ometres south of Madras, an Ind- the first research reactor was built

The Kalpakkam power station. consisting of two heavy-water reactor units of 235 megawatts each. has taken 15 years to complete because of design and construction problems.

India, which exploded a nuclear device in 1974, is considered to be the Third World's leading nuclear nation. It says its nuclear programme is for peaceful purposes only, but it has declined to sign the international Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

It has two other functioning nuclear power stations.

#### Malaysia opėns Islamic bank KUALA LUMPUR (R) — Prime

Minister Datuk Seri Mahathir Mohammad opened officially Friday Southeast Asia's first Islamic bank to give Malaysians an alternative to conventional Western commercial banking.

He said the bank. Malaysia's third largest domestic bank with paid-up capital of 100 million ringgit (\$43 million), would be the first step in convincing people assimilation of Islamic principles into the economic system would not lead to its failure.

The Malaysian government is keen to encourage values in line with Islam.

Mr. Mahathir said the opening of the bank which will be governed by a council of Muslim scholars would not mean commercial banks in the country would be done away with.

#### THE Daily Crossword by Emory H. Cain

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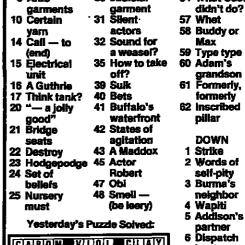
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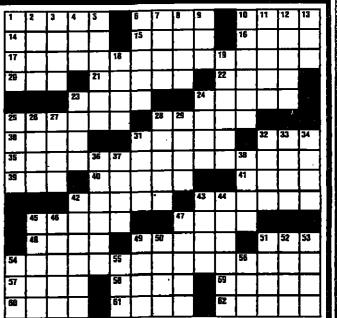
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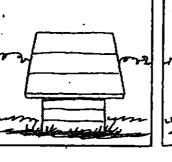
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## WORLD

## U.S. supports Pakistani drive to Isolve Afghan crisis, Shultz says

ISLA WABAD (R) — U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz pledged American support for Pakistani efforts to solve the Afghan problem when he arrived & here Saturday.

in a statement to reporters at Line start of a three-day visit to rapakistan, Mr. Shultz said he loo-Axed forward to hearing from Pakstistani officials their views on Unirited Nations-sponsored peace talks tiin Geneva between Pakistan and Sthe Soviet-backed government of Afghan President Babarak Kar-

"I would like to express on behalf of President Reagan, as well as myself, our admiration for what you and your countrymen are doing in this regard and to pledge to you our admiration and support or your ellorts. Vir. Shuitz said. Two days ago the Soviet ambassador to Pakistan said the U.S. was holding Pakistan back from a negge settlement with nei-

ghbouring Afghanistan. Pakistani and American officials have denied the charge.

vir. Shultz. who arrived in Islamabad Saturday morning from New Delhi, said he hoped his visit would add further momentum and progress to Pakistan-U.S. rel-

Since the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan in December 1979 Pakistan-U.S. ties have grown steadily, culminating in a \$3.2billion military and economic aid

He said his talks in Islamabad would cover strategic and economic issues but most particularly the discussions would be about Afghanistan.

During his stay Mr. Shultz will

visit a camp where some of the three million Afghan refugees in Pakistan have settled since the Soviet intervention.

Asked by reporters at Delhi airport when he left for Pakistan if his four-day stay in India had led to improved relations, Mr. Shultz said: "Oh. yes."

Indian External Affairs Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao, who saw Mr. Shultz off, said he was satisfied with the visit.

Though major foreign policy differences remained. India and the United States resolved a controversy over American supplies of spare parts for a U.S.-built nuclear reactor near Bombay.

The United States announced it would supply safety-related components for the plant if India could not obtain them from elsewhere. Islamabad. Mr. Shultz' last stop on a four-nation Asian tour also

Charles, Diana

LONDON (R) - Prince Charles

and Princess Diana arrived home

from their Canadian tour Sat-

urday after celebrating the pri-

ncess's 22nd birthday with a cha-

The 17-day tour has been hailed

as a great success and Prince Cha-

rles. heir to the British throne, said

at their last engagement: "We

shall leave with hearts overflowing

with the warmth, friendliness and

hospitality of the Canadian peo-

He was speaking at the opening

of the World University Games in

Edmonton. Alberta, where an enthusiastic crowd of 60,000 sang

happy birthday to Princess Diana.

utes late to board their Canadian

air force flight to London and

begin a private party.

They left the stadium 45 min-

mpagne party in the air.

return home

symbolises U.S. support for Pakistan, a "frontline state" that has absorbed three million refugees

from fighting between rebel Afg-han forces and more than 100,000 Soviet troops.

Pakistani Foreign Minister Sahabzada Yaqub Khan is expected to report to Mr. Shultz on his recent round of talks with Afghan officials held under United Nations auspices in Geneva.

Reports from Geneva have said the talks are at a stalemate, and U.S. officials describe the military situation in Afghanistan as a deadlock, with current Soviet trooplevel not sufficient to break the insurgency by anti-communist guerrillas battling the Moscowbacked government of Afghan leader Babrak Karmal.

Mr. Shultz said Friday he had written to Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko to assure Moscow that the United States wished to see a settlement according to U.N. guidelines. He said Mr. Gromyko replied but gave no det-

### Reagan promotes idea of nuclear non-proliferation

SANTA BARBARA, California R) — President Reagan has caliled for wider acceptance of an international treaty to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons to

vent nucleur proliferation were critical to future international peace and regional and global sta-

He mode his appeal in a staement from his California ranch marking the 15th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty on the viai-proliferation of nuclear weaons (NPT) by three of the five nucleur powers -- the United Staes. Britain and the Soviet Union --nd 55 other countries.

A total of 119 countries now dhere to the treaty.

China and France have not signed it. nor have countries with a reported nuclear weapons capability, such as Israel, India, Pakistan and South Africa.

Mr. Reagan in his statement Vir Reagan said efforts to pre- also reaffirmed his commitment to progress in negotiations with the Soviet Union in Geneva on reducing strategic and medium-range nuclear missiles.

On non-proliferation, Mr. Reagan said: "I urge all countries that have not yet done so to join the growing consensus against the spread of nuclear explosives by

He repeated a call for comnuclear material supplied to nonproduce weapons.

### 1845 Arctic ship-wrecked may have turned cannibal

British seamen on an ill-fated expedition's route and uncovered 1745 Arctic expedition may have—the remains of between six and 17 ni in a hid to survive says an anthropologist who has found some of their remains. British explorer Sir John Franklin and 129 officers and crew

precard two British ships vanished in 1915 winds arriving to discover the motificant pessage. The ships became trapped in the ee and the explorers stumbled on

to remote King William Island where they died of starvation and

Canadian anthropologist Owen Beattie and a team from the Uni-

5000000000 Alberta (R) - versity of Alberta retraced the British scamen.

> ken open and thighbones showing knife-like scars. "All the ribs, backbone and hips

that is very suspicious." Dr. Beattie told Reuters in an interview. Electron microscope tests are to be made, but Dr. Beattie said the available evidence tended to corrobotate accounts given by Eskimoes in the 19th century who told

cate, and that was what West

West led the king of clubs

and East started an echo

with the nine. West con-

tinued with the ace of clubs

and another club to East's

queen. Instead of ruffing,

declarer chose to sluff a dia-

mond. That aroused East's

mond suit sitting in dummy,

why would declarer choose to

sluff a potential winner? The

only answer was that de-

clarer did not want to ruff

because, if he ruffed, he

might lose trump control. If

declarer was afraid of that,

then it had to be right to play

So at trick four East

shifted to the ace of dia-

monds. Now declarer had to

ruff, and the defenders were

about to gain control.

Declarer led the king of

trumps. West won the ace

and forced declarer with a

club. Now declarer and West

were down to the same

length in trumps. West won

the next trump with the

queen and led his last club..

Declarer was forced to ruff

again, and West's long trump

was now promoted to the set-

a forcing game.

With a relatively good dia-

suspicions.

was trying to achieve.

up human bodies.

#### GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN

1283 Indune Company Syndicate, Inc.

DON'T LET YOUR TRUMP TRICKS SLIP AWAY

North-South vulnerable. the magic number at dupli-West deals. NORTH ◆ €972 74 ♦ K 3 10 7 5

WEST EAST ♦ 105 - ∱J84 OAQ86 ⊽ 52 0 A Q 986 042 OAK532 4Q98 SOUTH ◇ A K 6 3

7 K J 10973 Q 105

The bidding: West North East South Pass 1 NT 2 ♥ Dble Pass Pass Pass Opening lead: King of 4.

There are times when declarer will help you defend. If he is reluctant to adopt a certain course, it is probably to your advantage to try to

force him to do so. East's one no trump response had just enough preemptive value to keep North-South from getting to their best spot. This hand is from a duplicate tournament. and that accounts for West's close double. A score of 200 is

adhering to the NPT."

prehensive safeguards to prevent nuclear countries being used to

#### Sri Lankan navy chief appointed to They found a skull forcibly bro-

were missing from one body --COLOMBO (R) - Sri Lanka's navy commander was Friday appointed coordinator of efforts to restore peace in the port city of Trincomalee where 10 people have been killed and 60 injured in

stories of white people chopping communal violence last week. President Junius Jayewardene said he had appointed Rear Adm. Asoka de Silva, who became navy commander only a month ago. to take charge in the city.

restore peace

Officials said he was expected to coordinate military and civilian operations in the city. 265 kilometres northeast, of Colombo. scene of violent clashes between Sinhalese and minority Tamils. A curfew has been reimposed after being lifted for six hours Thu-

No violence was reported Friday in Trincomalee but there was some trouble in the outskirts, the officials said. Police and troops continued to patrol the district.

Trincomalee has been worst affected by communal violence that erupted after guerrillas fighting for a separate Tamil state intensified their activities.

### 'Crickets are ventriloquists'

BAGUIO. Philippines (R) - Crickets, nature's violinists, are also ventriloguists and may even act as thermometers, according to research workers af a northern Philippines university.

Entomologist Vichael Alocod said research teams at Mountain State Agricultural College found that crickets could direct the sound of their chirp by raising and lowering their forewings as they sawed the "file" on one wing against the "scraper" on the other.

"Crickets become ventriloquists to deceive their pursuers. Even in a laboratory we found it hard to locate a cricket when it wanted to evade us." he told reporters.

Dr. Alocod said one species, the snowy tree cricket, also seemed to have a chirp rate which rose and fell according to the temperature. "We found that the figure 40 added to the humber of chirps in a

15-second period arrived at the actual fahrenheit temperature with surprising accuracy." he said. Dr. Alocod noted that crickets vere a dining table delicacy in

Burma, Thailand and Malaysia. were kept as pets for their "singing" in China and Japan and were trained to fight in the Philippines.

If you were patient, you could use them as a thermometer." he

PEKING (R) - China has pub-

lished the selected works of str-

ongman Deng Xiaoping a rare

honour accorded only to the late

Chairman Mao Tsetung and a few

The Communist Party ide-

ological journal Red Falg praised Mr. Deng's works as a "brilliant

book marking a period of great historic change." All national

newspapers announced its pub-

lication with long front-page art-

icles Friday.
The 393-page. buff-coloured

volume was available in most Pek-

ing bookshops, the cheapest edi-

tion costing one yuan (50 U.S. cents). It contains a frontispiece

portrait of the diminutive, 79-

year-old Mr. Deng.
Sales were steady, and one ass-

istant reported selling about 30

copies in the first half-hour after

the shop opened. But there was

other senior leaders.

### The spokesman added that the initiate a peaceful dialogue at a ple the Nicaraguan leftist g army's first engineer battalion had meeting late in July with the for-Argentine leader says country must run obstacle course to democracy

BUENOS AIRES (R), - President Reynaldo Bignone renewed the military government's cted government scheduled to pledge to return Argentina to democracy next year but warned there would be obstacles on the

duras has moved more combat

troops to the tense border with

supplies to villages isolated by

border fighting, the armed forces

A spokesman gave no details on

the number of reinforcements but

said they were being deployed

between the villages of Las Troies

and Cifuentes. Helicopters were

dropping food to civilians isolated

Honduras, the closest ally of the

United States in volatile Central

America, has been sliding towards

open war with Nicaragua since

several thousand right-wing Nic-

araguan exiles invaded the cou-

ntry from bases on the Honduran

side of the border last February.

in the area Friday.

"Obstacles and difficulties will not be missing on the way to the objective." Gen. Bignone said in a televised address Friday night marking the first anniversary of his swearing in after Argentina's defeat in the Falklands ( Malvinas) war with Britain.

A sizeable part of those obstacles would stem from the armed forces' anti-guerrilla drive in the

late 1970s, he said.

Military sources said concern charges were "brave young mem-

made progress in their neg-

otiations, diplomatic analysts said

Hong Kong governor to join talks PEKING (R) - Plans for the ticipation indicated that the two governor of Hong Kong. Sir Edw- sides now planned to discuss subard Youde, to join talks on the stantive issues concerning the futfuture of the British colony are a ure of Hong Kong, which is govsign that London and Peking have erned by Britain under 99-year

lease on most of the territory.

Honduras boosts border security

Nicaragua and started airlifting road has come under repeated

recent weeks.

Colombia.

campaign.

TEGUCIGALPA (R) — Hon-duras has moved more combat Las Trojes and Cifuentes. Run-aragua. El Salvador. Guatemala

mortar and machine-gun fire in

Two U.S. newsmen. Dial Tor-

gerson of the Los Angeles Times

and free-lance photographer Ric-

hard Cross, died on the road last

week when their car was blown up

There has been a flurry of dip-

lomatic efforts to defuse the exp-

losive situation. including a series

of meeting by the "Contadora

group" of the foreign ministers of

Mexico. Venezuela. Panama and

In Panama City, the foreign ministry said Friday the group

would make another attempt to

was spreading among younger off-

icers at the thought that the ele-

take over next Jan. 30 may try

Gen. Bignone's remarks came

at the end of a week marked by

rumours and official denials of

possible military coups to delay

the elections promised for Oct. 30.

political violence as a result of the

shooting of two left-wing activists

by police in still-nuclear cir-

When a police chief stated that

three subordinates involved in the

killings and now held on homicide

cumstances two months ago.

There are also renewed fears of

some of them for their role in the

by a rocket-propelled missile.

ning parallel to the border, the old and Costa Rica.

China has often stated that it plans to regain sovereignty over the territory, presumably when The British embassy and the the lease expires in 1997. Chinese foreign ministry ann-This has caused jitters on the ounced Friday night that Sir Youde would take part in talks in Hotig Kong stock markets as well Peking beginning on July 12. the as worries among the population at large that a communist takeover first time Hong Kong has been represented in the negotiations would mean a reduction in living

when Prime Minister Margaret on civil liberties.

since they began last September standards and severe restrictions

Fhatcher visited China. . British and Chinese officials declined to give any details of the agenda for the talks, but an embassy spokesman said they would enter a "more detailed phase"

than previous discussions. Diplomats said Sir Youde's par-

little sign of crowds scrambling to

Daily devoted four of its eight

pages of the new work, which con-

tains many speeches and articles

which have not previously been

published. Its publication marked

the 62nd anniversary of the fou-

nding of the Chinese Communist

Red Flag named 10 main areas

covered by the selected works.

putting Mr. Deng's emphasis on

'seeking truth through facts" --

in other words his implacable

opposition to Maoist dogma - at

Mao debunked

comrade Mao Tsetung's role in

history and correctly evaluating

The last item was "upholding

The party newspaper People's

political zigzags.

Many if not most Hong Kong

people remain unconvinced by Chinese promises to maintain the prosperity and stability of the territory after 1997. They regard the people's republic as economically backward and subject to alarming

Mao Tsetung thought." a further

Other fields included "taking

indication of Mr. Deng's low opi-

the road towards a Chinese-type

socialist modernisation" and str-

essing the role of intellectuals.

whose prestige Mr. Deng is att-

empting to boost after they were

persecuted for almost 30 years

of the book "is to encourage the

people to smash the fetters of rigid

conventions, emancioate the

mind, proceed from China's ori-

ginal conditions, reform every old

rule and regulation not suited to

modernisation and explore a road

toward socialist modernisation

printed in an edition of almost 1.5

million and are bound to play a

highly influential role in moulding reformist policies.

The selected works have been

with Chinese characteristics".

Red Flag said the main purpose

nion of Maoist ideologues.

under Mao.

claim to the territory, thus enabling "real talks" to begin. The British Foreign Office has

aragua. El Salvador. Guatemala

Pastora launches attack

SAN JOSE (R) — Nicaraguan rebel leader Eden Pastora, boo-

sted by fresh financial aid, has lau-

nched a new offensive in southern

Nicaragua, a spokesman for the

Democratic Revolutionary All-

Arde, whose military wing is

under Pastora's command. said

last week it had indefinitely sus-

pended its fight because of a lack

of arms. But an unnamed donor

had suddenly forwarded sub-

stantial aid and Pastora launched a

new offensive last Monday to top-

ple the Nicaraguan leftist gov

flurry of rejections from pol-

iticians. They called his remarks a

organisations Friday by a self-styled group of Buenos Aires Pro-

vince policemen threatened a pol-

ice revolt unless the case was tra-

nsferred from civilian to military

courts and the three officers were

groups have asked the courts to

declare unconstitutional a report

by the ruling junta which said that

people who went missing during the "dirty war" in the 1970s were

dead, a spokeswoman for one of

But Chinese leaders have been

adamant about regaining sov-

ereignty, ad this issue has app-

arently been the main stumbling-

block in negotiations that have

According to the Far Eastern

Economic Review magazine, pub-

lished in Hong Kong, Mrs. Tha-

tcher about two months ago ind-

irectly acknowledged Peking's

the groups said today.

occurred so far.

next few years.

of the late 1960s.

Meanwhile, eight human rights

A pamphlet distributed to news

direct threat to democracy.

iance (ARDE) said Friday.

denied the report, and diplomats in Peking said it seemed unlikely that Mrs. Thatcher would have yielded at this relatively early

But they said the agreement of the two sides to make a public announcement on the negotiations was apparently evidence that progress had been made in the secret talks.

But in the present moderate

political climate they are not int-

ended to be a new version of

Mao's "little red book." which

was viewed with quassi-religious

awe during the cultural revolution

Mr. Deng has frequently voiced

his scorn for such fanaticism, an

aspect of the personality cult

which he regards as feudal and

The English-language new-

spaper China Daily said the new

book would be used as a tool dur-

ing the forthcoming "rectification

campaign" to purge extreme lef-tists from the 40-million strong

paign, due to start later this year, to further reduce opposition to his

Mr. Deng plans to use the cam-

inconsistent with socialism.

Selected works of Deng Xiaoping published iceberg". political debate in China in the

#### Toddler 'washes' cat, puts it in over

HULL. England (R) - Kelly the cat came in dirty from a prowl so two-year-old Lindsey Lamb popand watched him spin round. Linthe toddler then put the bedraggled cat into the oven to dry roasted alive. "I was amazed Lin-

## Japan makes 'solid

KOBE. Japan (R) — Japanese women who want a beer will not have to be seen pouring it out in future. A Japanese company said it would put a "solid beer" on the market next Tuesday and it expected young women to be the buyers. The beer, with a three per cent alcohol content. is mixed with apple and lemon juice, solidified into a jelly and will be sold in squ-

#### Korean restaurants go a la carte

pared well in advance of serving.

## Peace groups out to convert rural Sicily into anti-missile camp

the top of the list.

By Tony Austin

CO MISO. Sicily - It has the appearance of a country estate falling gracefully into disrepair but behind its stone entrance and avenue of eucalyptus trees. Magliocco aerodrome is being converted into Italy's first medium-range nuclear missile base.

American cruise missiles, mounted on flat-bed trucks with their own launchers, will start trundling over the newly-tarred roads next spring unless NATO countries and the Soviet Union reach agreement on limiting Europeanbased missiles.

Meanwhile peace groups based in Comiso are preparing to bring thousands of demonstrators to this agricultural town in southeast Sicily during the summer to protest against the planned deployment of 112 U.S. cruise missiles.

They will camp on strips of farmland bought or rented around

the base, originally built by the fascists as a forward position for imperial military control.

Italy decided two years ago to deploy at Comiso its share of the medium-range nuclear missiles which are NATO's answer to Soviet SS-4. SS-5 and SS-20 missiles already positioned in Eastern Europe.

Because they are mobile and can easily be concealed on the ground, the missiles would probably be moved out of their camouflaged garages at Comiso and be driven to pre-selected sites at a time of international tension.

Britain and West Germany plan to accept Pershing II or cruise missiles despite large-scale protest movements in their countries. Belgium and the Netherlands

have delayed decisions on the controversial weapons, which would enable NATO to strike directly at the Soviet Union from Western

ility of the missiles will make verification of numbers in any arms control agreement almost impossible and that the Soviet Union. without a cruise missiles of its own at present, would surely develop one, thus raising the danger of nuclear war in Europe.

Middle East factor

They note that from Comiso the cruise could strike at the whole of North Africa and most of the Middle East. a fact which would further determine Libya and Iraq to develop their own nuclear wea-

The protesters also maintain that the August, 1981, government decision was a breach of Italian constitutional articles giving the Italian president and parliament sovereign power to station weapons and decide whether to go

They say that together with other U.S. and Italian military Opponents of deployment in sites. Comiso forms part of an ove-Italy say the small size and mob- rall strategy to militarise Sicily.

In the past 12 months militant. campaigners have tried several times to halt construction work at Comiso but conversion work is on schedule. Last March there were clashes with police and 12 foreign women were expelled from Italy.

Giacomo Cagnes. ex mayor of Comiso and now chairman of the communist-backed cudip peace committee, said their summer camp would be held in a field deliberatly distant from the Magliocco perimeter and would aim to win the hearts and minds of the them". local population.

The good work The international peace camp, a

second Comiso-based group, is growing vines and barley with the help of local unemployed youths on a patch of land next to the base.

It is negotiating to buy more land and sell it in tiny plots to Italian and foreign supporters, with the aim of giving military auttried to requisition the land.

Another initiative involves women from Italy and northern Europe, including some form Britam's Greenham Common movement, who have obtained a strip of land near Maliocco.

Annapia Nadalutti an org-aniser of the Ragnatela (Web) movement said the Ragnatela women had broken down some of the Comiso inhabitants' traditional reserve by low-key campaigning and "because as women we do not constitute a threat to

But Monsignor Giovanni Battaglia of Comiso's Holy Annunciation Church said: "The local people are suspicious of foreigners. who behave so differently, and we of the church are never going to march under red banners".

Lino Rimmaudo, socialist Mayor Salvatore Catalano's secretary, said, "In Italy and Sicily there is no liberation tradition. The people are simply not used to horities a legal battle if they ever mass demonstrations and look on the peace people as outsiders".

### **NEWS** BRIEF

#### Vatican paper gets new deputy editor

VATICAN CITY (R) — Pope John Paul II has appointed an Italian journalist. Gian Franco Svidercoschi, as the new deputy editor of the Vatican newspaper L'osservatore Romano after an unprecedented scandal last week. Vatican sources said. Svidercoschi. 47. is currently religious affairs correspondent of the Rome-based daily Il-Tempo.

#### Italian restaurant loses its customers

GISSL Italy (R) — A restaurant in this central Italian town lost some of its best customers after they were found to be the entire population of the local jail. Court prosecutors said the small jail's three prisoners regularly took their warden out for a night on the town. They would enjoy a meal with warden Angelo Natale, go home to sleep and then return to their cells. The prisoners were given an official discharge on charges of jail breaking but the warden received a seven-month sentence for helping them.

#### 10% Salvadoreans aliens in U.S.

WASHINGTON (R) -- Half a million Salvadoreans — over 10 per cent of that nation's population -- are living illegally in the United States. Immigration and Naturalisation Service (INS) commissioner Alan Nelson said. One reason for the influx of Salvadoreans was the increasing violence in that country, where the government is struggling to defeat a leftist insurgency, he told a lunch of editors at the Washington

#### Sex pests rife in British civil service

LONDON (R) - A substantial majority of women employed in British government offices are likely to face sexual harassment at work. says a survey by the inland dreds of women civil servants were interviewed for the survey. which defined harassment as anything from teasing to "touching. brushing and grabbing". The federation newsletter commented: "The survey team were surprised by their findings and felt that they had only discovered the tip of the

ped him in the washing machine dsey's mother rescued Kelly, but off. Luckily for Kelly. Mrs. Liz Lamb heard the oven timer ring and saved him again before he was dsey could switch on the washing machine and the oven. I just can't let her out of my sight," said Mrs.

### beer' for women

are glasses, the company says.

SEOUL (R) - Restaurants in South Korea's main cities have been ordered to adopt the a la carte system of serving food in a drive to improve sanitary conditions, ministry of health officials said. The system is also being introduced in view of a big increase in foreign visitors expected for the Asian Games being held here in 1986 and the Olympics in 1988. Most Korean restaurants had previously served set meals with numerous side dishes often pre-

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